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Scouting for Food

This is an annual event where the scout units of the NCAC, Patriot district, collect food for those in need. The food the Patriot District collects goes directly to the Capital Area Food Bank for distribution to various other food banks and pantries. Historically we have faithfully filled three huge trucks with the food we collect. Our drop off point is the Safeway at the Burke Centre Parkway. We are there from 9 AM to 2 PM on Sat Nov 12.

On **November 5th** units distribute the bags to their designated neighborhoods often beginning no earlier than 9 AM. We distributed the SFF bags at the October 13th roundtable. With a knock and a call out of "Scouting for Food", a scout leaves the bag on the door with the hopes of finding a bag of food next week. (We do not take glass jars- please leave them behind if possible). Sometimes the units may tie or tape a pre-printed note explaining the process, or expressing advance gratitude. IF you run out of bags, you may also tie a note to the door as a reminder of the date for SFF pick up. You may also call Cynthia Yellen to see if there are any extra bags left over.

On **November 12** the scouts begin picking up the food at 9 AM and deliver the bags to the Safeway located at Burke Center Parkway Shopping Center. WE will ask each unit to stop by the **SFF table** to identify the unit dropping off and give a bag count (Each bag we estimate as approximately 5 lbs.), Number of scouts participated, Number of Adults participated. OA Scouts will diligently be waiting to assist, often with the help of a crew from GMU, and some very reliable dedicated adults. They collect and sort the food, direct traffic, and many other duties that are much appreciated. Our volunteers sign in at the SFF table where they can have service hours validated. If you are an OA member and plan to attend the event, please try to bring an orange or yellow safety vest to wear over your official BSA OA uniform. If it is cold, please dress accordingly. We will provide hydration and nutrition.

By days end on November 12th, at 2 pm, we often collect enough food staples to fill 3 trucks. After all is done, Please visit www.BoyScouts-NCAC.org/ScoutingForFood, to report the amount of food collected by your unit in pounds on the NCAC website. If you have any questions please email me at cnymw@verizon.net or call me at home: 703-425-6468, or my cell: 703-731-3839. Please leave a message. If I do not get back, please call or email again....I would love to hear from you and promise to answer.

*Yours In Scouting,"
Cynthia N. Yellen*



I have never been lost, but I will admit to being confused for several weeks

~ Daniel Boone (b. November 02, 1734)

Patriot District Spring 2012 Camporee

April 27 – 29, 2012



**Camp Manidokan (a United Methodist Church retreat facility)
1600 Harpers Ferry Road, Knoxville, Maryland, 21758
(301) 834-7244**

The Patriot District Spring Camporee will be a *Rendezvous* of all our troops held at Camp Manidokan, Knoxville, Maryland, from Friday evening April 27 through Sunday morning April 29, 2011. Camp Manidokan, a United Methodist Church retreat facility, is located in the rolling hills of Maryland adjacent to the Potomac River and just three miles north of Harpers Ferry, WV. Wide open spaces, the serenity of the rural Maryland countryside and an abundance of nearby activities for our scouts of all ages make for an attractive location and an exciting program for our district's Spring Camporee.

Rich in history and natural beauty, the Harpers Ferry area has been important for over the last thousand years. Native Americans inhabited the area and later during the colonial period, explorers, fur trappers, traders and surveyors travelled through. Harpers Ferry itself is located at the confluence of the wildly picturesque Potomac and Shenandoah Rivers. In the 1830's it was an economic hub for construction of the famous Chesapeake & Ohio Canal and the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. Thirty years later the Civil War left a path of destruction through the area, from John Brown's raid to Antietam, the single bloodiest day of the Civil War. Today the area is central to rafting/canoeing on the Shenandoah and Potomac Rivers and Antietam Creek, walking the trails of Harpers Ferry and Antietam, exploring Civil War battlefields, hiking/biking the C&O Canal, and backpacking the Appalachian Trail.

The Spring Camporee will be a hiking, biking, canoeing or rafting event culminating with a grand campfire similar to the events our explorers, trappers and Native Americans used to hold. Units will be able to hike several historical trails in the area, bicycle the C&O Canal, backpack the Appalachian Trail or raft the Shenandoah/Potomac Rivers. Units are also encouraged to use their imagination and develop their own adventure program in the surrounding area. Saturday evening will feature a historical campfire program and the Patriot Chapter's annual tap out ceremony for newly elected Order of the Arrow candidates. Once again, the program will include the very popular dodge ball competition. The camporee promises to be an outing to remember for all of our youth and adult leaders.

The District Camporee Committee has been formed but is still in need of committee members and assistance in several areas. If you have an idea that would enhance the camporee or just want to help make this event the best possible for the Patriot District, your assistance is needed and welcome. Please contact the Camporee Director, Bill Dexter at (703) 978-2632

*Bill Dexter
Camporee Director, 703-978-2632*



Plans are nothing; planning is everything.

~ Dwight Eisenhower (b. October 14, 1890)



From your District Executive:

Dear Scouters, Scouts, Families and Friends,

Happy November Scouters! It is hard to believe that we are already at the time where the clocks are turned back, the days get shorter and we start pulling out sweaters and warm clothing. It is a time when we start reflecting on how the year will shape up; on our interactions with family and friends, our neighbors and teachers and the community at large. In Scouting, it is a time where we make sure that all of our "I"'s are dotted and our "T"'s are crossed. This is where we are able to show that Scouting is still vibrant in our corner of Fairfax County. It is where we ensure that every youth that is participating in our Program is registered and counted! Please help me in doing this by turning in any and all applications that you have once they are completed. Do not wait until the Recharter.

This month we have a lot of opportunities to serve our community. I was with a family last evening and they were gearing up for an Eagle Project in the coming weekend. Also, Scouting for Food, our largest Community Service project is happening this month. We have the opportunity to do so much good over these two weekends and it will last throughout the toughest part of the year for many families that need a helping hand.

Keep up the great work and let's end this year as an amazing success. You are the best volunteers and you provide the most amazing program!

Gary L. Carroll, II, Senior District Executive, Patriot District
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Patriot District Scouters

It's that time of year again! In addition to the unit recharter that occurs in December, the District recharts too. Basically, that means that the District Committee members who are not already registered with a unit and the district's commissioners all need to pay their annual dues (\$15.00) plus \$1.00 for insurance before the end of December. If any of the committee members or commissioners has changed positions since last year's recharter, they need to fill out an application with the new position code. Joe Ryan, Gary Carroll, and I will be collecting these applications and dues at the upcoming Commissioners meetings, District Committee meetings and Roundtables. You can download an adult application form from the Council website, or see Joe, Gary or me!

Aasgeir Gangsaas, District Chairman
(703) 623-0700, cagangsaas@yahoo.com



From the District Chairman:

We continue to work very hard on achieving our goals for 2011. In terms of finance – our Friends of Scouting campaign was super successful and we have achieved our goal. We collected over \$107,000 compared to \$87,000 last year. Well done to the Finance Team under the leadership of Chip Black – the Vice Chair for Finance. In terms of membership – we had a successful Join Scouting Night recruitment, but we short are about 80 scouts from where we were last year as this time. If you have any new applications – please get them in as soon as possible. Well done all in Patriot District – especially our units!

We are in the mist of our Scouting for Food event run again by Cynthia Yellen with support from our Order of the Arrow chapter. The food we collect will assist many families within our community and is particularly important during the holiday season.

A number of Scouters have recently agreed to serve on District Committee, filling various positions.

However, there are still opportunities if you wish to a contribution the Patriot District. Please contact me if you would like to help out

Aasgeir Gangsaas, District Chairman
(703)690-0846, cagangsaas@yahoo.com



We Still Need You!

We want to invite you to consider commissioner service or a committee member position. The time requirements for these positions vary widely, so there is always something that will fit your time budget. We can also provide training and mentors for virtually every position, so lack of knowledge is no excuse! Besides, we like to get new ideas and try out new ways to get the job done, so we welcome even those who think they don't know what to do. We are easy to get to know and easy to work with. If you think you have to have been here for some time before you can help out, you are wrong, please let us know how you would like to help. We have openings in most of our committee areas as well as some commissioner positions; in many cases we are simply looking for backups for the dedicated volunteers who are already hard at work. Please contact me Aasgeir Gangsaas, Joe Ryan, or Gary Carroll for more information.

Aasgeir Gangsaas, District Chairman
(703) 690-0846, cagangsaas@yahoo.com



If we do not lay out ourselves in the service of mankind whom should we serve?.

~ John Adams (b. October 30 1735)



Patriot District Events

[Web Calendar](#)

<http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/openrosters/Calendar.asp?orgkey=371>



November 2011

- 5 Scouting for Food bags out
- 8 Commissioner Meeting
- 10 Roundtable
- 12 Scouting for Food Collection
- 13 2nd Recharter Training
- 13 OA ExCom
- 19 Council Pow Wow
- 19 OA Brotherhood Ceremony
- 22 District Committee Meeting
- 22 First Recharter Turn-In
- 26 Patriot Press Deadline - Dec

December 2011

- 3 Popcorn
- 3 Final Recharter Turn-In
- 3-4 TLC Venturing Lock-In
- 8 Roundtable/Venturing-RT
- 11 OA ExCom
- 13 Commissioner/Committee Mtg
- 26 Patriot Press Deadline – Jan

January 2012

- 1 New Year's Day
- 8 OA ExCom
- 10 Commissioner Mtg
- 12 Roundtable
- 16 Birthday of Martin Luther King Jr.
- 24 Committee Mtg
- 28 Patriot Press Deadline - Feb

Legend

BSLST	Boy Scout Leader Specific Training	OA	Order of the Arrow
CSLST	Cub Scout Leader Specific Training	RT	Roundtable
ExCom	Executive Committee	VLST	Venturing Leader Specific Training
IOLS	Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills	V-RT	Venturing Roundtable
JSN	Join Scouting Night	V-TLC	Venturing Teen Leader Council
NLE	New Leader Essentials		



Cub Scout Roundtable



PRIZES

We want
YOU
to attend

GAMES

Cub Scout Roundtable

When: Thursday, November 10th

Where: LDS CHURCH on OX Rd (Rt. 123)
next to Salvation Army

Midway & STAR Workshop: 7:15 pm – 8:00 pm

Roundtable: 8:00 pm – 9:00 pm



FUN

This Month's Topics Will Include:



Fellowship

- *STAR Workshop → Making Arrow of Light Arrows*
 - *Pinewood Derby Planning*
 - *Arrow of Light Award Ideas*
 - *And much much more!*
- *As always be there or be a square knot!*

*Dave Huber, 2011-2012 Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner
703-323-1580 dave@hubertree.com*



GUIDE TO ADVANCEMENT 2011

New Boy Scout Advancement Guide!!!

Early this month, the Program Impact Committee got the early release version of the Guide to Advancement (GTA). As we speak, the BSA National Council is preparing printed and on-line versions of the GTA which should be ready by the mid November for units and Districts.

The Advancement and Recognition Committee is in the process of reviewing this guide and developing training for the rest of the NCAC. This training will be conducted in January 2012. If you have any questions please direct them to your Advancement Chairs or the Advancement and Recognition Chair, Alan Deter (alandeter@cox.net).

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33088.pdf>



Boy Scout Roundtable
Not just for Scoutmasters

Patriot District Boy Scout Roundtable
October 13th, 2011
the Church of LDS, [4911 Ox Road, Fairfax VA](#)

Midway: 7:30 - Pre-Opening: 7:40 – Roundtable: 8:00 to 9:00

We set a goal of 100% attendance at the October Roundtable for Troops available to attend. This had never been done before and it was determined that this would be fun to try and a great way to get more Scouters at the Roundtable. Well, it worked! The Cub Scout Roundtable had a very high attendance and the Boy Scout had 100% attendance from the Troops that were available to attend. Unbeknownst to our elite Boy Scout Roundtable staff, the night selected was a Jewish holiday and Troop 181 notified us in advance that they would not attend, but every other Troop was there!

To increase attendance we used an age-old Scouting trick, we had food. A chili cook off was conducted as a part of the Roundtable. We had seven chili chefs participate and the competition was very tight. In third place was Randy Witter from Troop 1523, second place was Janet Ramos from Troop 697 and our Grand Champion, from Troop 807, is Dutch Palmer. Thanks to all who participated.

While we would love to have 100% attendance at all Roundtables, we will schedule another big night in the spring, to include a much more careful calendar review!

November's topics will be recruiting volunteers, a presentation that will be given to the combined Boy Scout and Cub Scout roundtables. The Boy Scouts will also discuss Eagle Scout Courts of Honor and Surveying Merit Badge.

In December, we will discuss uniform inspections and the Guide to Safe Scouting. Our Merit Badge will be Law.

The Boy Scout Roundtable Staff looks forward to seeing all of you at the Roundtable!.

Steve Smith, Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner
703-323-1016, smithfamilyzoo@cox.net



Venturing

We meet on the same night as the other roundtables, but we only meet in August, October, December, February, April and May.

Mark your crew calendars for Venturing Lock-in December 2–3 at St. Stephens UMC

Venturing Roundtable Commissioner is currently vacant



Last Chance for Silver Beaver and District Award of Merit Nominations
By Craig Pettibone, District Awards Committee Chair

With the cooperation of several Patriot District Scout Leaders, we have some very good nominations in the works for the District Award of Merit and Silver Beaver Awards. Contact Craig Pettibone (703-323-7304; cpettibone@verizon.net) if you have someone you wish to nominate for these awards. **Nominations are due ASAP and NLT November 22.** Blank applications for both awards are available on the National Capital Area Council (NCAC) website. Go to: www.boyscouts-ncac.org search for the Forms and Documents Webpage, and scroll down to Awards, Nominations for Award of Merit and Silver Beaver.

The District presents **the Award of Merit** to an adult leader for exceptional and dedicated service to youth in the district over an extended period of time. A nominee must be a registered Scout leader, have rendered noteworthy service to youth both in and out of scouting, and have demonstrated a high level of scout spirit and service.

The Council presents the **Silver Beaver Award** to an adult leader for noteworthy service to youth within the Council. Nominees should have provided significant service to youth within the community in and out of Scouting.

The key to the awards process is to nominate deserving Scout leaders at the Troop and District level who are otherwise eligible for the above awards. The Patriot District has many talented and outstanding adult leaders who deserve to be recognized for their contributions to Scouting over an extended period of time. Please help the District nominate and recognize deserving leaders.

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National Capital Area Council

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Deadline for copy inclusion in *The Patriot Press* is the Saturday prior to Roundtable. Using MS Word, articles may be emailed to the editor at joe.osborne@cox.net.



If a man does not have an ideal and try to live up to it, then he becomes a mean, base and sordid creature, no matter how successful

~Theodore Roosevelt (b. October 27, 1858)

**THIS IS IT -
YOUR LAST CHANCE TO SELL POPCORN**

FINAL POPCORN ORDERS ARE DUE NOV. 16



**THE PATRIOT DISTRICT WOULD LIKE
TO HELP YOU!**



THE UNIT WITH THE HIGHEST SALES

AND

THE UNIT WITH THE HIGHEST INCREASE IN SALES

WILL WIN

A PIZZA PARTY FOR YOUR ENTIRE UNIT

POPCORN IS A WIN, WIN, WIN!!!

A WIN FOR YOUR SCOUTS

A WIN FOR YOUR PACK / TROOP

A WIN FOR YOUR DISTRICT

*Please email questions to: jmargraf@bacweb.org
Joe Margraf, Patriot District Popcorn Kernel*



Popcorn!

We want to remind everybody that there are still over two weeks left for selling delicious Trails End Gourmet Popcorn to help meet your unit's 2012 budget goal! Be sure to remind your Scouts to check their sales. Some may be close to earning some "extra" prizes. Here are some of the scout rewards that you can earn:

- Free pair of Baseball tickets to A Washington Nationals game in spring of 2012 – fill that sheet up with orders – all online, take order, and show & sell sales count.
- \$100 Walmart gift card – turn in your full sheet(s) for the weekly drawing
- Zyclone – sell \$ 600 and earn the Zyclone and the \$600 sales club patch
- Top Seller Day – sell \$ 1000 and earn 2 tickets to the special Top Seller event next year
- Free week of summer camp – sell \$ 2500 and earn a free week of summer camp at Goshen, Camp Snyder, or day camp.

College Scholarship – sell \$ 2500 and qualify for the Trails End scholarship program – 6% of all sales goes into a scholarship account



National Capitol Area Council

"RACE TO THE FINISH – NCAC 500"

Join the NCAC 500 Popcorn Sales Team"

This is an opportunity for scouts in "non selling units" to sell popcorn to earn money for their scouting activities.

The National Capitol Area Council is offering a limited opportunity to qualified scouts* to join the NCAC 500 sales team to sell popcorn. Scouts will receive a full 30% commission from total sales payable directly to their scout account**. All participating scouts are also eligible to earn all scout rewards announced for this year's program and will receive a limited edition Council Shoulder Patch (CSP).

NCAC 500 Scout Registration Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Unit: _____

Email: _____

Please return this completed form to:

FAX: 301-564-9513

EMAIL: bill.williams@scouting.org, or

MAIL: 9190 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD. 20814, Attn: Bill Williams

SALES PACKETS WITH INSTRUCTIONS AND FORMS WILL BE MAILED OUT TO SCOUTS UPON RECEIPT OF THIS REGISTRATION FORM.

* To be eligible scouts must be in a unit that is not currently a registered selling unit in the Trails End popcorn system or otherwise classified as a "non-selling" unit.

** For scouts in units that do not have scout accounts, the commission will be paid to the scout's family.

Questions: Bill Williams at (O) 301-214-9105, (cell) 301-523-4308, email: bill.williams@scouting.org



Cub Scout Workshop at Imagination Stage

Now taking registrations! Join us for the *Dr. Dolittle* Cub Scout Show & Workshop event on Saturday, December 17 from 4 – 7:15 p.m. Cub Scouts will watch the performance and then earn the Communicating Belt Loop and Academic Pin in our post-show workshop. Cub Scouts walk out with their earned items in hand! For pricing and availability, contact McKenzie Midock at groupsales@imaginationstage.org. A show description may be found at <http://www.imaginationstage.org/shows-a-tickets/now-playing>.

McKenzie Midock, Group Sales & Marketing Manager



Family Friends Of Scouting Campaign

For those of you not already familiar, the Family Friends of Scouting (FOS) campaign is conducted annually among the parents and friends of Scouts within their unit. District and unit volunteers conduct the FOS campaign to give everyone the opportunity to support and grow the Scouting program. Over the next couple months, we will be establishing contacts within each unit to coordinate a presentation and provide the support and materials needed to conduct this campaign. Presentations and follow-ups will then begin after the new year. **As a very first step, we need a coordinator for each of the Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops, and Venturing Crews in the Patriot District!!!**

Why is Friends of Scouting so important? In fiscal year 2010, Friends of Scouting contributed almost \$2 million to the National Capital Area Council. That's over 16% of the overall NCAC budget. In return, the NCAC was able to support the over 51,000 scouts and leaders in the 1700 Packs, Troops, Teams, Crews, and Ships in the NCAC with programs, facilities, scholarships, and training.

We had a very successful FOS campaign in 2011, and we want to maintain that record of excellent support. And we do best when a dedicated individual volunteers to help conduct a campaign within each unit to ensure we give every family an opportunity to contribute.

Please identify your unit's Family Friends of Scouting Coordinator, including contact information, to Floyd Baker, Patriot District Family FOS Chair, at vabaker5@verizon.net. Let's make 2012 the best campaign we've ever had.



Are You Getting the Word?

There are many ways to get information about Patriot District news and events:

- ✓ *The NCAC and District web-pages*
- ✓ *The Patriot Press Newsletter*
- ✓ *At Roundtables*
- ✓ *From our District and Unit Commissioners*
- ✓ *From our "blast" email system!*

Are you getting our email news? Signing up is EASY – just:

1. Go to the District webpage < http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/openrosters/view_homepage.asp?orgkey=371 > and click on "Sign up for the District Newsletter and other E-lists".
2. Once on the e-list registration page, click to create a new profile (or edit the one you already have).
3. Fill in the requested information and click "Save."
4. On the Subscription page, select "NCAC – Patriot District" from the pull-down menu and select any or all of the interest group lists that you wish. Click "Save Selection" and "Done."
5. Enjoy knowing that you are now "in the loop" for early notification of District news and events.

Doug Hess, Vice Chair for Communications
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MERIT BADGE and JEWISH RELIGIOUS AWARDS FAIR

Sunday, January 8, 2012

The National Capital Area Council Jewish Committee on Scouting invites ALL Scouts to participate in a merit badge fair. In addition, Jewish Scouts are invited to work on their religious awards:

- Macabee Award for Tiger Cubs and Cub Scouts, Grades 1-3
- Aleph Award for Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts, Grades 3-5
- Ner Tamid Award for Boy Scouts and Venturers, Grades 6-9
- Etz Chaim Award for Boy Scouts and Venturers, Grades 9 +

Location: Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax, Virginia, (703)323-0880

Time: 2-5 pm

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A list of participating merit badge counselors is included with this flyer. Scouts (not parents!) who wish to earn merit badges at the fair MUST contact their counselors by no later than November 15 to determine what they must do in advance of the fair order to fulfill all of the requirements on January 8.

IN CASE OF BAD WEATHER: Please contact Julian Tishkoff at (301)424-8469 to determine if the event will take place as scheduled. An alternate bad weather date will be January 15, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION please contact Julian Tishkoff.

Merit Badge Counselors

Table with 4 columns: Name, Phone Number, Merit Badges, and Email Address. Lists 11 counselors and their specialties.

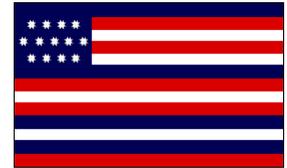


Never tell people how to do things. Tell them what to do and they will surprise you with their ingenuity

~ George S Patton (b. November 11, 1885)



OUR AMERICAN FLAG
at National Capital Area Council's
Cub Scout Leader Pow Wow!



Pow Wow is a supplemental, action-packed training event for adult Cub Scout Leaders, Pack Committee Members, parents of Cub Scouts and just Cub Scout-interested persons. You'll spend the day learning new ideas and concepts, and having hands-on experiences that will enhance your ability to deliver and support a fun-filled, exciting program to Cub Scout boys.

When is Pow Wow?

Pow Wow is Saturday, November 19, 2011. Doors open at 7:30 am with 8:00 am for walk-in registration (please, no early arrivals) and pre-registered package pick-up in the cafeteria. Opening Ceremony begins at 8:40. The first training session starts promptly at 9:00 am. Some courses are 50 minutes long, some are 90 minutes long, some are 2 hours long, some are all morning or afternoon, and BALOO and Den Chief training (which is just for Boy Scouts) are all day courses. Lunch is provided at noon.

Where is Pow Wow?

We're gathering at Annandale High School, 4700 Medford Drive, Annandale, Virginia. Here's a map!

Who Should Attend Pow Wow?

All registered adult Cub Scout Leaders, potential leaders, and interested parents. That would include: Cub Masters and their assistants; Tiger Den Leaders, their assistants and partners; Wolf, Bear, and Webelos Leaders and their Assistants; Pack Committee members and activity/event chairpersons; and anyone who wants to learn more about how to have a been the Cub Scout program ...Oh! And let's not forget Charter Organization Representatives, their invited too)

Training sessions offered on relevant topics for every Cub Scout position to help you make your Cub Scout program more fun for the boys ... and you too!!! Pow Wow is an all-day adult training event and the course sessions are intended for adults only. Unfortunately, we do not have provisions or accommodations for children watching and care.

We are offering Den Chief training just for Boy Scouts who want to help Cub Scout leaders with their den or pack programs. The registration fee is the same for electronic and walk-in registration. Den Chief training is an all-day training session and enrollment is limited...so register early.

How Much Does Pow Wow Cost?

If you pre-register online by November 15, 2011, the cost is \$33.00. After midnight on November 15, 2011, we stop electronic registration and you will have to register as a 'walk-in' at the event. The cost for walk-in registration on the day of the event is \$43.00.

What Is Being Offered at Pow Wow?

See: <http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/openrosters/ViewOrgPageLink.asp?LinkKey=44259&orgkey=1934>

The Glenn A. and Melinda W. Adams National Eagle Scout Service Project of the Year Award

1. **Purpose.** To prescribe the National Capital Area Council (NCAC) procedures and responsibilities for selecting NCAC Eagle Scout candidates for regional and national recognition in the National Eagle Scout Association annual competition for outstanding Eagle Scout service projects.

2. **Background.**

The National Eagle Scout Association (NESA) has established the *Glenn A. and Melinda W. Adams National Eagle Scout Service Project of the Year Award* to recognize valuable service of an exceptional nature by a Scout to a religious institution, a school, community, or other entity. The award recognizes the Scout for his Eagle Scout service project. Awards will be made at the NCAC, regional, and national levels.

3. **Selection Process.**
 - a. Annually, on or before January 21, an Eagle Scout, his parents, or any registered BSA volunteer (with the Eagle Scout's permission) may submit his Eagle Scout service project for consideration. The Scout must have passed his Eagle board of review in the prior calendar year (January 1 – December 31). The application may be found on NESA website at www.nesa.org. Attached to the application shall be a complete duplicate copy of his *Eagle Scout Leadership Service Project Workbook*. The Eagle's entire Eagle Scout application should not be submitted and if received, all extraneous materials will be striped off before submission to the Awards Committee for review. It is strongly recommended that complete application be forwarded in PDF format for ease of review by the Awards Committee.
 - b. No later than February 21 each year, the NCAC *Gathering of Eagles* Award Committee will review submissions and select a NCAC winner.
 - c. No later than February 28 each year, the NCAC *Gathering of Eagles* staff point of contact for NESA will forward the complete application to the NESA for consideration by regional NESA committee. Regions will select a regional winner no later than March 31 each year.
 - d. From the regional winners, one winner will be selected by NESA each year no later than April 15, in time for presentation at the NESA Americanism breakfast at the National Meeting in May.

4. **Selection Criteria.** Evaluation criteria for this award should include consideration of at least the following:
 - a. The project planning required
 - b. The effort to develop the project
 - c. The extent and character of the leadership provided by the Eagle Scout
 - d. The extent of achievement of the planned result, including changes or modifications required to complete the project
 - e. The project's impact on the beneficiary and/or on the community at large
 - f. The originality of the work
 - g. The time and materials contributed
 - h. The level of skill employed to complete the project.

Other factors may be considered by the selection committee.



BP Note: After the siege of Mafeking and the end of the Boer War, Britain had control of the former Boer republics of Transvaal and the Orange Free State. The South African Constabulary was established to be a peace-time army, somewhere between a police and a military force, to pacify the former republics which were now part of a united South Africa under British rule. Baden-Powell was put in charge of the South African Constabulary, as a leader with exceptional ability to organize the force from scratch in a short time. He quickly recruited a force from the two British colonies, the Cape and Natal, which were now part of the Union of South Africa. He also recruited officers and men from Australia, New Zealand, Canada, India and Ceylon, England and Ireland. B-P wrote about establishing the Constabulary in his book "*Lessons From the Varsity of Life*", including the following: "I designed a uniform for the men on my experience of work in different climes, of an economical type and one which differed in appearance from that of the Army. Since officers and men had to be continuously on duty and therefore always in uniform it was essential that this

should be not merely smart but also comfortable to wear. We therefore adopted khaki coats with roll collars and khaki shirts and collars with neckties, instead of the military stand-up stock collars. For headgear we wore Stetson hats with flat brims...fitted with a feather cockade."

Opportunity to Earn Geology Awards

Jim Kostka, member of the NOVA Mineral Club and a Cub Scout leader in a neighboring district, displayed information at last week's Roundtable about the **20th Annual NVMC Gem, Mineral, and Fossil Show**. This event will be held **at George Mason University Student Union II Building on November 12th and 13th**.

Along with all the interesting displays and vendors, Jim will be running a "Scout Corner" that will focus on information meeting Cub Scout Geology Belt Loop, Webelos Geology Activity Pin, and Boy Scout Geology merit badge topics.

This is billed as a family friendly event and also features a Kid's Mine where youth can do activities including word searches, coloring, rock and fossil identification and the right to dig in the bins to take rocks home. Could be a great outing for a Den activity as well as a chance for Boy Scouts to get a jump start on an interesting merit badge!

Admission is \$5 for adults and children 12 and under as well as all Scouts in uniform are admitted FREE. For more information and to download a \$1 admission discount ticket for adults, visit the following website:

www.novamineralclub.org/calendar/details/273260-20th-annual-nvmc-gem-mineral-fossil-show-at-gmu-in-fairfax

I can't imagine a person becoming a success who doesn't give this game of life everything he's got.

~ Walter Cronkite (b November 04, 1916)

Cub Scout Workshop at Imagination Stage

Now taking registrations! Join us for the *Dr. Dolittle* Cub Scout Show & Workshop event on Saturday, December 17 from 4 – 7:15 p.m. Cub Scouts will watch the performance and then earn the Communicating Belt Loop and Academic Pin in our post-show workshop. Cub Scouts walk out with their earned items in hand! For pricing and availability, contact McKenzie Midock at groupsales@imaginationstage.org. A show description may be found at <http://www.imaginationstage.org/shows-a-tickets/now-playing>.

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New Opportunities for Wilderness First Aid Training

-- And other courses needed to lead High Adventure Treks

The National Capital Area Council has started a partnership with *The Center for Wilderness Safety*, a local non-profit organization that offers a number of American Red Cross courses such as the newly required Wilderness & Remote First Aid, Adult CPR/AED, etc.

Several Adult CPR/AED and Wilderness First Aid classes are offered this November for Units, Scouters and Scouts, especially those doing High Adventure next year. While also open to the public, all of the courses mentioned below can also be found on the **NCAC Training Calendar** (<http://www.doubleknot.com/openrosters/Calendar.asp?orgkey=1934>).

ADULT CPR/AED (American Red Cross)

This hands-on adult CPR skills training course could help you save the life of a family member, a friend, or a stranger by preparing you to correctly and confidently respond to breathing and cardiac emergencies in adults. Training on how to properly use an AED is also included in this course. This course results in an American Red Cross certification, valid for TWO years. The minimum suggested age to take CPR is 11.

WILDERNESS & REMOTE FIRST AID (American Red Cross)

Now required by the Boy Scouts of America for its high-adventure bases Philmont and Northern Tier, this 16-hour intensive course teaches students how to properly assess, treat, and manage common

illnesses and injuries in a remote environment where definitive care of a physician and/or rapid transport is not readily available. In this class, course participants will learn how to assess, treat, and, when possible, prevent medical and traumatic emergencies within the scope of their training.

Adult CPR/AED (sponsored by the Sierra Club)

When: Thursday, November 10th
(6-9:30pm)
Where: Trinity Presbyterian Church, Herndon VA
<http://www.regonline.com/CPR-SC2>

Wilderness & Remote First Aid (sponsored by the Sierra Club)

When: Saturday & Sunday, November 12-13
(8am – 6:30pm both days)
Where: Prince William Forest Park, Triangle VA
<http://www.doubleknot.com/registration/calendardetail.asp?ActivityKey=953947>

Adult CPR/AED (sponsored by NCAC-BSA)

When: Friday, November 18th
(7-10:30pm)
Where: Cub World - Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA
<http://www.doubleknot.com/registration/calendardetail.asp?ActivityKey=954311>

Wilderness & Remote First Aid (sponsored by NCAC-BSA)

When: Saturday & Sunday, November 19-20
(8am – 6:30pm both days)
Where: Cub World – Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA
<http://www.doubleknot.com/registration/calendardetail.asp?ActivityKey=953947>

There are two kinds of people: those who say to God, "Thy will be done," and those to whom God says, "All right, then, have it your way."

~ C.S. Lewis (b. November 29, 1898)