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The Old Dominion District **WEB Edition** November 12, 2009

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12	Cub Scout, Boy Scout, V3 Roundtables	1, 2, 8, 12
12	Scout Expo (before Roundtable)	6
12	FOS Training (before Roundtable)	8
14	Scouting for Food bag Pickup	1, 3, 16
17	Scouting Salutes the Military	6
18	District Committee Meeting, 7:30	
18	Popcorn Order #2 due	18
19	Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:30	
20-21	OA Fall Ordeal, Fellowship, and	16
	Chapter Banquet	
21	UC basic Training	11
21	Pow Wow	11
21	BALOO Training (at Pow Wow)	11
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16	Combined District Committee and	
	Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:30	
20	Final Popcorn payment due	18
31	Silver Beaver Nominations due	7
31	Award of Merit Nominations due	7

#### January 2009

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2	Cub Scout Leader Specific Training	10

- 2 COR Training (VA Central)
- 3 OA Chapter meeting
- 6 The Old Rag input due
- 9 OA Lodge Banquet
- 14 Cub Scout, Boy Scout, V3 Roundtables
- 14 Webelos to Scout Follow-up (at Roundtable)
- 23 Commissioner College
- 27 District Committee Meeting, 7:30
- 28 Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:30
- 30 The Trainers Edge (NCAC)

#### February 2009 (partial)

- 5 The Old Rag input due
- 5-7 Klondike Derby
  - 7 OA Chapter Meeting
  - Scout Sunday
  - 8 100th Anniversary of BSA
- 13 Scout Sabbath
- 14 Cub Scout, Boy Scout, V3 Roundtables

Cub Scout, Boy Scout, and V3 Roundtables are 8:00 PM at Thomas Jefferson High School.

District Committee and Commissioner Meetings are 7:30 PM at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 5800 Backlick Road.

# ODD FALL CAMPOREE October 23-25, 2009 and WEBELOS-REE October 24-25, 2009



What's this (above photo)? the opening scene from an ODD production of Macbeth, no—wait, it's the gang of three that organized the Old Dominion District Fall Camporee and the Hauntings of Haymarket Hollow—Vickie, Holly and Cyndy.

For more information on the results of these fantastic events, and the Webelos-ree, see the articles on pages 4 an

# **SCOUTING FOR FOOD**

November 14th

As we rapidly approach the completion of the 2009 Scouting-For-Food drive, be advised of the following:

Considerations must include the safety of your youth, the likely donations from residents, etc. Youth distributing or collecting bags must be under adult supervision at all

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**NOTE:** November Roundtable will be held Thursday, November 12th at 8 PM at Annandale High School Cafeteria. This is a one-time only change - in December we should be back at Thomas Jefferson

# **COMMISSIONERS' CORNER**



# Roundtable Attendance for October

This month's roundtable attendance was maybe the best in the past 3-5 years! The trend is on the big upswing, thanks to an outstanding job by our Roundtable Commissioners.

- Cub Scout 59 Scouters from 26 out of 36 units (72%)
- Boy Scout 49 Scouters from 27 out of 33 units (82%)
- Venturing 17 Scouters from 12 of 19 units (63%)

Now that we have 3 months under our belt, take a look at the attendance records (recently sent by email) to see how your unit has been doing. Please encourage attendance – it is the easiest way I know of for unit leaders to get program ideas!

When you do encourage participation, please solicit ideas as to why some units send lots of folks and others send nobody. Provide this feedback to the Roundtable Commissioners. This will help us to put on increasingly better roundtables in the future.

NOTE: November Roundtable will be held Thursday, 12 November at 8 PM at Annandale High School Cafeteria. This is a one-time only change – in Dec we should be back at Thomas Jefferson High School.

#### **Support to District Committee**

Membership – Carl Holman (UC for Pack 868) recently provide stellar recruiting support, helping them to organize their Join Scouting Night, doubling the size of their pack and recruiting a bunch of adults, including a new Cubmaster. This is a great example of the type of commissioner support that is needed for many of our units as they struggle to bring in new boys/families.

Scout Expo – This event is coming up in November right before Roundtable (see page 6). Please publicize well to your troops and Webelos dens.

### **Unit Visit Tracking System**

The system is still accessible, but please be aware that it is in "Beta Test" mode while changes are made. Feel free to continue using the system, but no requirement to do so until the bugs are worked out and the input provided during our Pilot Test is considered and hopefully used. If you do use the system please provide feedback which I will forward.

#### **Charter Renewal**

Recharter packets with access codes were given out to UCs and ADCs at the October Roundtable and are making their way to the units. On-line rechartering training has been offered once to units and will be again in November before roundtable and on 21 Nov from 10 AM to 12 Noon in the Pohick Library Room 1). Information on the charter renewal process and fees is being sent out through various means. Once again, our goal is 100% of all current ODD units rechartering on-line, on time.

### **Centennial Quality Unit Awards**

Now is the time to sit down and review these forms with the units. The step by step process is....

- 1. Make sure units have the completed 2009 commitment form and a 2010 commitment form. If you do not have your form, let me know and I will send the pdf file to you.
- 2. Make an appointment at a time of convenience for you and the unit leader.
- 3. Fill out both forms and have them signed. Make sure you are signing in the right place (completion for 2009 and commitment for 2010). Provide to me by scan/email or hard copy by 31 Dec.

#### **Unit Health Assessment**

The semi-annual unit health assessment is due by the end of the year. This should go hand in hand with CQUA interviews. Please send the completed forms to your ADC and me. This past Summer, we only received 80% of the units. It should be 100% this time.

#### **Fall Camporee**

The 2009 Fall Camporee was a tremendous success, in no small part due to the contributions of the Old Dominion Commissioner Staff.

Commissioners were certainly represented well in the Camporee Leadership (Vickie Trumbetic, Bill Wilson, Holly Brown, Bob Austin, Cyndy Blake) and those staffing the program. Also Allison Hoopes as Chapter Advisor.

A special thanks to Lee Nelson and Bill Wilson who took on the lion's share of the parking coordination. This was a real challenge and thank you to those two and everyone else who helped throughout the weekend. And to the three campsite inspectors who inspected in monsoon-like conditions: John Pastino, Jim Stewart, and Peter Pate.

A special thanks to John Pastino who went around to inspect the showerhouses late in the morning Sunday and Nam Chi who came early and helped with setup as well as

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# **CHAIRMAN'S NOTES**



What a fun and different theme for a Fall Camporee! It was great to get all the positive responses from the scouts, Webelos and unit leaders on the great time they had on the Haunting's trail. Scouts and Webelos alike thoroughly enjoyed "firing" the trebu-

chet and watching those eerie green balls streak through the night sky. Special thanks go out to our Camporee Director, Vickie Trumbetic, the *Hauntings of Haymarket* Hollow Director, and Holly Brown for leading these efforts to put such fun time into a camporee and build such an exciting trail. Everyone appreciated the great Camp Snyder campsites, especially during the downpours we went through on Saturday. No better place to have a camporee in the rain than at Camp Snyder. My thanks to all the scouts that volunteered to help and run the trail during the evening program. Without you the trail event couldn't have happened. As usual, our OA chapter Arrowmen put together a great Brotherhood walk and ceremony. I really appreciate the great job the commissioners accomplished controlling traffic into the campground. With all the public attendees and scouts crossing the roads during the evening hours, it is very commendable that not one accident or injury occurred throughout the entire weekend. Thanks to our hard working District Executive Bart Jarnagin and his burley F-250 diesel truck and trailer, hauling the camporee headquarters gear out to the site was a snap. Bart's can do attitude, coupled with his speed at digging trenches, resulted in the Catholic Service being held on dry ground.

My local neighborhood pack dropped off the Scouting for Food bag at my house this weekend so I guess it's that time again. This is an important community service project for the benefit of our less fortunate neighbor in our community. The various food distribution centers are in great need of food this year as a result of the long recession and the high unemployment numbers. They and the food recipients are extremely grateful for the effort the scouts and leaders put into this effort. Thanks to the many families that contribute their food and effort for the benefit of this charity.

I would like to remind all the District Scouters who have received their letter regarding providing a donation to the annual Scouter FOS campaign to get your pledge form back to me as soon as possible. I appreciate your dedication to the scouting movement. Holly Brown is starting her Family FOS training at this month's roundtable and I ask that all the unit leadership to work hard to bring your unit family participation numbers up this year. It took us about 2 months longer to make our goal in the



# COUNCIL CENTENNIAL CAMPOREE—SPRING 2010

Start your unit planning now for the NCAC Centennial Camporee May 29-31, 2010. This event includes opportunities for Scouts at all levels. Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturing. Preregistration is open now. Visit the NCAC web site for more information and preregistration at: <a href="http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org">http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org</a> and click on the Centennial Camporee link..



Cub Scouts of Pack 685 visited the Air Force Memorial and participate in a Wreath-Laying ceremony in honor of all fallen military personnel. It was a heart-warming experience to see the Tigers salute the flag and the playing of Taps.

last campaign and we just don't want to go through that pain again this year.

Please keep up the hard work recruiting new youth into the scouting program and keep looking for opportunities to start a new unit. Also make sure that your popcorn sellers to mention the option available to contribute to providing popcorn for our military member protecting our nation.

John Rephlo District Chairman jm@rephlo.com (Continued from page 1)
times. This is particularly
important in apartment areas.
Please make sure that all
YPT and Guide to Safe
Scouting principles are followed.

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At the discretion of the unit, other charitable organizations may be designated as the recipient for the food items collected. For example, donations collected by a unit registered at a religious institution may be taken to that organization's food bank. Currently Culmore UMC and Springfield Church of Christ are the only ones identified other than our usual food banks (See below for total list). If your unit makes such a decision, please tally up the total amount of food (in Pounds) delivered and report this information to Bill Rooney. If you have questions or problems, contact Bill Rooney via e-mail at <a href="mailto:rooney7612@gmail.com">rooney7612@gmail.com</a> or Phone (during business hours) at 703-966-6714. rooney7612@gmail.com as soon as com-

Scouting-For-Food is not a contest between units. It is a service to our community, a Good Turn for America and an opportunity for our youth to earn valued service hours. If you encounter Scouts from other units in your assigned area, please communicate with the accompanying adult to resolve the issue. The goal of our combined effort is to canvass as many neighborhoods and collect as many food donations as possible for those in need. Plain and simple.

For this year's SFF campaign the following community food banks will be receiving food donations collected by Old Dominion District units and individuals on Saturday. November 14th:

**ACCA:** Annandale Christian Community for Action is located at 7200 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA 22003. Phone 703-256-0100, <a href="http://accacares.org">http://accacares.org</a>

**CUMC:** Culmore United Methodist Church, primarily serviced by Troop 664 and Crew 574, is located at 5901 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041. Phone 703-820-5131

**ECHO:** Ecumenical Community Helping Others is located at 7205 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield, VA 22150. Phone 703-569-9160, Fax 703-455-2763, <a href="http://www.echo-inc.org">http://www.echo-inc.org</a> →

LCAC: Lorton Community Action Center is located behind the Lorton Library at 9518 Richmond Highway (US Route 1), Lorton, VA 22079. Phone 703-339-5161, http://www.lortonaction.org

**SCOC:** Springfield Church of Christ, primarily serviced by Troop 2215, is located at 7512 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield, VA 22150. Phone 703-451-4011, <a href="http://springfieldchurchofchrist.org/">http://springfieldchurchofchrist.org/</a>

# WEBELOS-REE WRAP UP -

Our Fall 2009 Old Dominion Webeloree was one for the record books. We had a great turn out despite the slightly less than ideal weather. Smiles where everywhere all day long as the Webelos stepped up to the challenge stations run by various Boy Scout and Venture crews. Skills ranged from fire-building, to rescue carries with fun activities like the bottle rockets and monkey bridge mixed in. At the end of the day we all survived both rain and shine, yes the sun did come out a couple of times. Reports of good meals and fellowship with Boy Scout Troops circulated before the moon came out, that's when the *Hauntings of Haymarket Hollow* trail gave everyone a good scare. The Webelos all want to thank the many Boy Scouts that helped to make the weekend fun and exciting. We look forward to bridging soon.

# THINKING AHEAD 2010 MERIT BADGE JAMBOREE



The Old Dominion District 2010 Merit Badge Jamboree will be held on March 6, 2010. Registration information will be provided at the December Round Table. If you are interested in being a counselor or in helping in some other aspects, please contact Cyndy Blake at::

ODDmom@verizon.net.

# **COMMISSIONERS** (cont.)

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parking. And to the rest of the commissioner staff that I saw throughout the weekend, all of whom jumped in when needed: Seth Distler, Buck Gastrell, Don Palomaki, Steve Richardson, and Tony Waisanen. I saw Clint Janes and Cliff Samuels with their units as well. I hope I didn't miss anyone.

You all did everything that was asked and the event was a wonderful experience for the kids because of your efforts. You should be rightfully proud of a job well done, and I was proud to be there with you.

# PINEWOOD DERBY PATCH CONTEST

Design a Pinewood Derby Patch. The winning design will be proudly displayed on hundreds of Scouts and Scouters uniforms. Entries must be received by December 10<sup>th</sup> at the Roundtable. Any type of drawing or electronic format will be accepted. Remember the patch must include "Old Dominion District", "NCAC" "Pinewood Derby", fleur-de-lis (representing BSA), and "2010." There is no limit to color selections or shapes.

The contest is open to any registered Scout or Scouter. Email entries to <a href="wktrumbetic@verizon.net">wktrumbetic@verizon.net</a> or turn in to Vickie Trumbetic at any Roundtable. Be sure to include your name, unit type and number and rank or position with your entry. The decision of the judges will be final.

### PINEWOOD DERBY

Can your pack supply a track and volunteers to run the track to ensure that Old Dominion District will have a Pinewood Derby in March 2010? Now is the time to step up to the starting line we would like to have four tracks again. We also need an ODD Pinewood Derby Chair Trainee and volunteers to step forward early this year and take on job assignments. Without volunteers we can not have a great District wide Pinewood Derby. Don't delay we need your help now. Please call Vickie Trumbetic 703-451-3223 to volunteer or step up at Roundtable.

# **CAMPOREE PHOTOS**

If you need a 'share copy' of the photos Gary Black, the ODD Photographer, took on the two days of the ODD Fall Camporee at Camp Snyder, please contact him at 703-798-7712 or garlandblck@aol.com

# **FALL CAMPOREE**

Thank you to all the Troops and Packs that came out to the Fall Camporee. There were 244 boy scouts who attended with 85 of their adult leaders. We also had over 29 staff members who made the program, activities and parking come off without a hitch. There were also 115 WEBELOS scouts who attended the WEBELOS-ree with 90 adult leaders. They participated in their own program and observed some of the boy scout activities. The Hauntings of Haymarket Hollow was our evening work & entertainment for both Friday and Saturday night. Those who participated really let their inner spook out to scare other Scouts and the paying public. Thank you, Holly Brown for asking us to help out and allowing us to enjoy the trail. Thank you, Camp Synder for providing us with a great facility.

I would like to specially thank the seven merit badge instructors who gave so graciously of their time and talent to help the Scouts advance. Theatre was handled by Allison Hoopes, Indian Lore by Roger and Kyle von Buccholz, First Aid by Norma Jean Young, Photography by Sandy Rothberg, Woodcarving by Lee Nelson, Wilderness Survival by Ed Phillips and Weather by Ched Hudson. Thank you so much for all your hard work.

We also had activities throughout the day for the scouts provided by volunteers. Fire building by Chris Cox, Knife & Ax throw by Jeff Morrow, Geocache by Monica Lynch & Liz Connley, Catapult by John Rephlo, Don Palomaki & friends, Pumpkin carving the leaders of Troop 856, Lycan/Vampire battle by Patrick Rooney, Flash Trumbetic and the OA and Halloween make-up by Derek Trumbetic. Thank you to all of you for spending your time and energy to make sure the scouts were entertained.

Finally the program would not have been possible without many of the district committee's help. We would not have been organized without Cyndy Blake and Kathy Hamilton. We would not have gotten setup without Bob Austin, John Rephlo, Bart Jarnigan, Jerry Prentice, Scott Staron, John Pastino and Bill Wilson. Parking was handled by the Commissioner Staff, headed up by Lee Nelson with Seth Distler, Bill Wilson, Scott Staron, John Pastino, Don Palomaki and Steve Richardson. We would have starved without Linda Ferraro who also served as our medic. Thank you Allison Hoopes for getting the OA together and for all the help they provided with program and odd jobs. Finally thank you Bill Wilson for a great WE-BELOS-ree!!!

I hope I didn't leave anyone out. I couldn't have asked for anymore. From the evaluations it sounded like everyone enjoyed the weekend in spite of the weather.

Vickie Trumbetic ODD Fall Camporee Director

# **MEMBERSHIP NOTES**

Hey Cub Scouters—recruiting season is over, right? WRONG! As we'll show you below, it's never too late to join Cub Scouts! And you Webelos Leaders and Scoutmasters out there—are we taking good care of our Webelos to ensure a strong transition to their new Boy Scout troops? We have a great chance for Webelos to meet and greet with prospective Boy Scout troops at our Scout Expo to be held prior to Roundtable this week!

# Cub Scout Recruiting: It's Never Too Late to Join Cub Scouts!

We've had a very good Cub Scout recruiting season this fall. However, now that we have completed our first school marking period and the boys are settled into the new school year routine, there is definite opportunity to get more families involved in Scouting and grow your packs. Don't give up on those families that didn't make your JSN—they will appreciate your taking a moment to give them a call and invite them to a den or pack meeting!

Many boys may have tried a sport or other youth activity and found it just wasn't for them. Why not take a den meeting week and make it an open house opportunity? Another alternative is to dedicate part of your November pack meeting as a "ask your best friend to join the pack" night with prizes and/or patches to those successful recruiters.

The majority of boys don't join Cub Scouts because NO ONE ASKED THEM! Remember, it's never too late to join Cub Scouts—your pack leadership can always get the new Cub Scouts caught up with a couple of focused meetings with new families. If you need help or advice, don't hesitate to drop a note to our membership committee!

### Webelos-to-Scout (WTS): Time for Scout Expo!

Our district will be holding Scout Expo before Roundtable Thu, 11/12 at 7pm at Annandale High School's Cafeteria, 4700 Medford Drive in Annandale (note the special location!) prior to Roundtable. What is Scout Expo? It's a great opportunity for Webelos II den leaders, families and scouts to visit with multiple troops to find the right match for the Webelos' transitions to Boy Scouts. Old Dominion troops will have Scouts, Scouters and displays about their programs ready to speak to Webelos and their families.

Boy Scout Troops—this is a great opportunity for you to contact Webelos from multiple packs. Please RSVP to Dan Ehrlich at cubmaster678@verizon.net or (703) 798-8163 by Wed morning, 11/11 so we can make sure that we have space set aside for your unit and its displays.

Cub Scout Packs—make sure your Webelos II den is taking advantage of this opportunity to get connected with Boy Scout troops.

If you have any questions about the bridging process or need any help at all regarding Webelos transition, please contact our Webelos-to-Scout Transition Coordinator, John Ruby, at <a href="mailto:john.ruby@emc.com">john.ruby@emc.com</a> or on the phone at 703-839-2524.

### **Need Help? Call the Membership Team**

The membership team is standing by to assist your unit in recruiting new Scouts and families into our units:

Vice-Chair, Membership Dan Ehrlich

cubmaster678@verizon.net

District Executive Bart Jarnagin

barton.jarnagin@scouting.org

Cub Scout Recruiting Coordinator Janine Bilyeu

[redacted]

Boy Scout Recruiting Coordinator HELP WANTED

--Vacant

WTS Coordinator John Ruby

ruby.john@verizon.net

New Unit Coordinator HELP WANTED

--Vacant

# SCOUTING SALUTES THE MILITARY

On Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup> NCAC will hold a Scouting Salute the Military dinner at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington, VA. Congressman Ike Skelton D-MO, the representative of Jefferson City, MO, will be the keynote speaker

Congressman Skelton is a great friend and supporter of the military, the farmer and, cattlemen and well respected and liked by industry leaders. His mid-western moderate-conservative approach to issues is respected by both Democrat, Republicans and Independent voters in Missouri and has resulted in him being a representative for over 31 years. He is an Eagle Scout.

For active Military personnel as well as currently registered NCAC youth and adult volunteers the ticket price is \$150. There are also opportunities for corporations and business to sponsor tables. Please contact Jerry Prentice at: <a href="mailto:jerry@prenticegroup.com">jerry@prenticegroup.com</a> if you would like to attend and/or for additional info on corporate sponsorships.

# AWARD OF MERIT NOMINATIONS



The District Award of Merit is the only official BSA award that the Old Dominion District can award to its adult Scouters. While there are no specific requirements, the award recognizes outstanding service to youth within the District and is only presented for exceptional and dedicated service over a period of time.

Nominations should be submitted to the Old Dominion District Award of Merit Committee Chairman Ken Davis no later than December 31, 2009. Nominations can be mailed to Ken Davis, 6320 Phyllis Lane, Alexandria, VA 22312-6402 or e-mailed to <a href="mailed-daviskenjared@aol.com">daviskenjared@aol.com</a>. The nomination form can be obtained at: the Council web site at: <a href="http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/download/150">http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/download/150</a> merit.pdf.

The awards will be presented at our District Scouter Recognition Dinner in the spring.

Ken Davis 703-941-9018

# SILVER BEAVER NOMINATIONS DUE NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31



The Silver Beaver Award is a councillevel award approved by the BSA National Court of Honor and is available to only about 2% of registered Scouters in any year. It is given for "exceptional service to youth on a council level." There are no specific criteria except for service to young people through the Scouting program and at least some involvement in youth work outside Scouting. Recipients are usually

those who have extensive district and unit Scouting experience, usually exceeding 10 years in tenure, and almost always includes some service at the council level, such as Wood Badge, Pow Wow, Commissioner, Order of the Arrow or other service beyond the district level.

Anyone can submit a nomination which should go directly to the council Silver Beaver Committee no later than December 31, 2009. The nomination form is available on the council web site. Scouters interested in submitting nominations can get guidance and suggestions for write-ups by contacting Ken Davis at 703-941-9018 or <a href="mailto:daviskenjared@aol.com">daviskenjared@aol.com</a>, or by contacting any member of the Old Dominion District Key 6 leadership.

# **CHARTER RENEWAL (or Recharter) BASICS**

Rechartering is now official called "Charter Renewal" and it is almost upon us!

#### As last year, the step by step process is:

- Obtain recharter kit (was picked-up by your Unit Commissioners at the October Roundtable)
- Unit Commissioners should work with unit leaders to pull all chartering information together, including new youth and adult applications
- On-line rechartering opened November 1<sup>st</sup>, unit leaders will enter all information either via Scoutnet or Electronic Unit Management Software (like Troopmaster)
- Unit leaders will print a charter renewal application
- Unit Commissioners should review for accuracy and to ensure they meet minimum requirements.
- Unit leaders then submit the charter renewals on-line and print out the final application.
- Unit leaders and Executive officers sign the appropriate form.

Unit Commissioners should then provide a final review, sign and turn in the charter renewal package, preferably at the November Roundtable.

#### Some tips:

- You will need to include applications for all new youth and adults.
- DO NOT hold up the charter renewal package waiting for applications from recruiting efforts these can be handed in separately after the recharter has been completed (but before the end of the year).
- Fees a new member that is being submitted with the charter renewal in November must pay for 2 extra months (Nov, Dec) plus the full year of 2009.
- We will offer two more training sessions in November for unit leaders to help you get through the online recharter process; before Roundtable and on November 21<sup>st</sup> from 10 AM to Noon at the Pohick Regional Library.



# FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

**WOW!** Can you believe it is FRIENDS OF SCOUT-ING (FOS) time already? Your Old Dominion Finance Team is SO excited for this year's campaign. This fall we revamped the FRIENDS OF SCOUTING (FOS) Campaign. Now, we're ready to share with you all, what will prove to be a really exciting campaign in 2010! Each unit should send their unit coordinator to learn all about it. If your unit has yet to assign a coordinator this is the time to do so. This job is perfect for the adult volunteer who wants to assist the unit without committing to a more demanding position.

When: Thursday November 12, 2009 Time: 7:00-7:45pm (right before roundtable)

**Location:** Annandale High School Enter the school via the cafeteria entrance. Look for the FOS signs to guide you to our class.

Tom Quigley Deputy Vice Chairman of Finance taquigley@cox.net

YIS, Holly Brown ODD Vice Chairman of Finance Brown.hollyh@verizon.net 703-690-2899

# **GOOD TURN FOR AMERICA**

2009 is the fifth year that Scouting will participate in



the Good Turn for America (GTFA) project. Now is the time to start recording your 2009 Community Service. Reporting projects should be completed soon after the project while details are fresh.; e.g., the recent Camporee

If you have questions or need assistance in navigating the GTFA web site, <a href="http://www.goodturnforamerica.org/">http://www.goodturnforamerica.org/</a>, contact Don Palomaki at 703-455-9262 or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:dpalomaki@cox.net">dpalomaki@cox.net</a>.

Thanks for supporting Good Turn for America and our local community.

Editors note: The e-mail addresses, web page addresses and hyperlinks in this issue were believed to be current at time of editing. However, over time they may become obsolete.

# **CUB SCOUT ROUNDTABLE**

Cub Round Table - Round Table this month will be held at Annandale High School in the cafateria. We start at 7 PM with Scout Expo, where Webelo's will have another opportunity to meet and evaluate prospective Boy Scout Troops for bridging. We have a great, fun alternative to Pine Wood Derby demonstration set up prior to Round Table as well. Our theme for Round Table this month is Works of Art, so we will be exploring a wide range of activities that get the boys into exploring art and expressing their creative spirits.

At our Cub Scout Round Table we preview our upcoming theme one month in advance to help promote interest and materials for leaders to use. Commng themes include:

- November Works of Art exploring our creative side
- December Power Up! power and energy fill the event
- January Happy Birthday BSA events like this won't happen again for 100 years
- February Take Flight spring is coming and the skies are full of flying objects
- March Spring Into Action the best time of year to get the boys outside
- April In the Spotlight songs, skits and stories, great for a campout
- May Hoop De Doo! sportsmanship and skill games going into the summer
- June Celebrate Fredom great summertime, outdoor and recruiting activities
- July No July Round Table, but keep up the tempo with Waves of Fun pool parties and water sports.

# SUBSCRIBE OR MAKE EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGE?

The fastest way to make an email address change or subscribe to the ODD's YAHOO mailing list is as follows.

To subscribe, from the new address, or add a new subscription, send a blank (empty) email to:

NCACOLDDOMINION-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

To unsubscribe, from the old address, send a blank (empty) email to:

NCACOLDDOMINION-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

This has the effect of deleting the subscription for the old address, and creating a new subscription for the new address. If this does not work for you, send an email request to: NCACOLDDOMINION-owner@yahoogroups.com

# CUB SCOUTS OF PACK 1140 HIKE HISTORIC OLD TOWN ALEXANDRIA

Reports indicate that lions, tigers and bears were sighted in Old Town Alexandria, VA on the morning after Halloween. Leftover trick-or-treaters? No, it was Cub Scout Pack 1140 of Springfield, VA hiking the Old Town Historical Trail on November 1.

The weekend-long rain cleared just as the Pack 1140 members (chartered to Kirkwood Presbyterian Church in Springfield, VA) gathered in Market Square to kick-off the historic hike. Winding 8-miles through historic Old Town Alexandria, the Scouts were guided by a tour book containing a historical question for each of 49 historic stops.

Question 1: Who laid some of Alexandria's cobblestone streets in 1790?

Question 2: There are 34 what? buried in Christ Church Cemetery?

Pack 1140 cubs answered these and other questions as they scoured historic plaques, markers and other landmarks looking for clues. Highlights included an underground "ice well" next to Gadsby's Tavern, Robert E. Lee's boyhood home, the Friendship Fire Engine Company and George Washington's rental properties (who knew he was a landlord too?). For their efforts, the trailweary cubs earned commemorative patches specifying the historic trail.

The Old Town trail is one of many American Historical Trails which also includes local trails in Washington, DC, Annapolis, MD, Leesburg, VA, Arlington, VA, Manassas, VA and Philadelphia. Information and guidebooks

on the trails can be obtained from The Carolina Trader at www.thecarolinatrader.com/trails.htm



Above: Pack 1140 Cub Couts and Den Chief work on finding answers to the Alexandria Historic Trail questions.

John Mittauer, Webelos 1 Leader Cub Scout Pack 1140 Springfield, VA Photo by Steve Nissley

Answers: Q1: Hessian Soldiers; Q2: Confederate soldiers

# THE OLD RAG

# Old Dominion District National Capital Area Council

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# VIRGINIA SCOUT SHOP

Located at: 5234 Port Royal Rd., Springfield, VA, in the Ravensworth Shopping Center - just off the beltway at the Braddock Rd. exit.

Phone: 703-321-4836

Store Hours:

Monday-Friday 9 AM - 7 PM Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM

They carry uniforms, scouting equipment, badges, literature and will accept most scout advancement form turn ins. (However, Eagle Advancement forms must be turned in directly to the NCAC office in Bethesda so data accuracy can be checked against the ScoutNet database.)

# THE TRAINING PAGES



The training pages are available on the Council website. If you need to find a training session other than those

in our District go to <a href="www.boyscouts-ncac.org">www.boyscouts-ncac.org</a> and click on the training tab. Click on the training calendar. There you will find a drop down menu for the different districts in the council and what training they are offering each month. Clicking on the training will give you more information about the session and how to register.

Many basic training modules are available online. To record training taken online you will need your ID number provided on your registration card from BSA. (You can complete the training without an ID number, but recording completion of the training will have to be done manually.) You can access online training through the Council website under the training page or the link to the online class is <a href="http://www.olc.scouting.org">http://www.olc.scouting.org</a>.

Since we are renewing charters December you should be trained for your registered position to meet the Centennial Quality Unit Award goals set for your unit. In the future, Training will be required for youth direct contact leaders!

Want to help with training? We want you! Please contact Kurt Langenwalter for Boy Scouts or Chip Souser for Cub Scouts. Please consider joining one of the ODD training teams even if you can only participate once a year. See your Training Team's contact information on page 13.

# Youth Protection Training On-line

Youth Protection Training is available online and provides adult volunteers with an understanding about child abuse and the youth protection policies of the Boy Scouts of America. This course is appropriate for every adult working with youth and may be mandatory to work at or participate in certain Council or National sponsored events. Starting January 1, 2009, re-certification is mandatory at least once every two years. The on-line course is available at <a href="http://:www.olc.scouting.org">http://:www.olc.scouting.org</a>.

The course can also be scheduled for units or other groups upon request. For more information or to arrange special presentations for your unit contact Jack Present by email at: <a href="mailto:jpresent@yerizon.net">jpresent@yerizon.net</a>.

Please note that there is a different class for Venturing leaders which addresses special considerations for older age youth, and coed units which is also available online.

# This is Scouting On-line

Here is where it all begins. Under the BSA training program "This is Scouting" is the entry-level course required for all Scout leader training. It is the foundation for building award winning "Quality Units". This fast paced course gives new leaders an overview of the entire Scout program. It covers: the purposes, aims and methods of Scouting; organization and structure of Scouting units; program funding; safe Scouting; and, the appropriate teaching methods for all ages and stages of youth and young adults. You do not need to repeat the class as you take additional leader specific training for new scouting positions you may move into. This course is only available online at http://www.olc.scouting.org.

# Cub Scout Leader Position Specific Training January 2

Cub Scout Leader Training is position specific, covering all Cub Scout leader positions, and is required for adults to earn position specific training awards. *This is Scouting* and *Youth Protection Training* are prerequisites for this class but need not be repeated for those who are coming only to be trained in a new Cub Scout leader position these two courses are available online at:

www.olc.scouting.org.

The training will start Saturday morning at 8am at Springfield Christian Church, 5407 Backlick Road, Springfield. Cost for the class is \$4.00. For more information and to pre-register email [redacted]

The Cub Scout Training team looks forward to seeing every new leader at training.

# **Supplemental Training Modules**On-line

Supplemental training modules are also available online. They are designed to provide orientation beyond the basic training offered in *This Is Scouting* and leader-specific training. Each module is a unit of training that can be used as an outline for a group, for personal coaching, or for self-study. Most of the outlines should require about an hour to complete. Consider each unit of study to be an introduction to the subject. Scouters are welcome to download subjects that are of interest for personal or unit use. There are no training credits associated with the completion of these units of study. Additional training units are being developed and will be continually added to this site.

### Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) November 21

This course is for Cub Scout leaders. For packs wishing to camp it is mandatory that at least one leader in attendance has completed the course. Of course, we are hoping packs will send several leaders. BALOO covers basic camping skills with a heavy emphasis on the BSA-approved techniques for providing a safe and fun camping experience for both cubs and their parents and leaders. BALOO training is not mandatory for Webelos den camping. The course will be held in conjunction with Pow Wow at Annandale High School.

For more information see registration information for Pow Wow to the right. Note, this is an all day class and those taking it will not be able to sign up for any Pow Wow classes

# Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Specific Training Various

Although this class will not be available in our district until next year it is available in nearby districts. Please check out the Council calendar under training for available dates in other districts at <a href="www.boyscouts-ncac.org">www.boyscouts-ncac.org</a>. To be fully trained for these positions you must also complete the Outdoor Leader Specific Training held in conjunction with this training.

# Troop Committee Challenge On-line

Troop Committee Challenge is also available online and provides training for the Troop Committee Chairman and Committee Members. Contact Fred Woody if you would like to set up a classroom session for your Troop. While the on-line version covers the key teaching points and is available according to your personal schedule, the classroom version has the advantage that it provides the opportunity for Qs and As with the instructor and interaction with others in the class in the same position. Please note that to be considered trained in a troop committee position one must also complete *This is Scouting* and *Youth Protection Training*.

### Cub Scout Pow Wow November 21

Pow Wow will be the premier Cub Scout Leader training event of the season. This all-day NCAC training event will offer approximately 50 different Cub Scout related classes over the course of a day. There will be classes of interest to leaders and parents serving in every position in Cub Scouting. There are no prerequisites. Students will pick their own schedule of up to six classes to ensure their time is spent in classes most closely aligned to their cub leader positions and areas of interest. The cost is \$30.00 which will include lunch and course materials. The location is Annandale High School. Registration is now open on the website <a href="https://www.boyscouts-ncac.org">www.boyscouts-ncac.org</a> at the Pow Wow link under the Training tab on the home page. Register now as the most popular classes fill up fast and then are closed.

### Commissioner Basic Training Novermber 21, December 12

Commissioner Basic Training is now confirmed for November 21<sup>st</sup> in Vienna VA and December 12<sup>th</sup> in Frederick MD. The flyer for the VA class may be downloadd from the link on the ODD Web page, Commissioners section. At: http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/openrosters/ViewOrgPageLink.asp?LinkKey=25854&orgkey=2017.

If your thinking about being a commissioner or know someone who wants to be or is even thinking about it, please pass this information along to them. We still need commissioners and we need them trained.

There are a few training requirements that Commissioners nwwd to have. They are the Commissioner Fast Start Training (ithis training can be done on line at: <a href="http://olc.scouting.org/">http://olc.scouting.org/</a>) and the Commissioner Basic Training. The National standard for training new commissioners is that they complete Fast Start within 48 hours of their appointment and Commissioner Basic Training within two months of their appointment.

See the list of Commissioner training dates on page 12. For more information on Commissioner Training contact John Pastino at: [redacted].

### Archery Instructor Training March 13, 2010

The NCAC Shooting Sports Committee is tentatively planning to offer a level 1, Basic Archery Instructor course on March 13, 2010 at Camp Snyder. This is a nationally recognized certification through either the National Field Archery Association or USArchery. Certification will allow you to run any BSA or GSUSA archery activity as well as teach the range officer class for Cub day camp archery. Look for details on the committee website: at <a href="http://tinyurl.com/NCAC-Basic-Archery-Course">http://tinyurl.com/NCAC-Basic-Archery-Course</a>. For questions or further information, please contact Evan Farr, Chair of the NCAC Shooting Sports Committee: <a href="https://example.com/earrlawfirm.com">evan-farrlawfirm.com</a>.

Once you are certified, please plan on helping to run ranges at the Centennial Camporee over Memorial Day 2010. Current planning for the Centennial Camporee will require many range officers and level 1 instructors.

Questions? Please contact Peter Pate at: 703-217-5421 or <a href="mailto:ppate1@yahoo.com">ppate1@yahoo.com</a> .

# **SHOOTING SPORTS IN ODD**

Your Scouts all love shooting sports: BBs and archery for Cubs; rifles, shotguns, archery for Scouts; and Venturers get to add pistol shooting to the mix. You want them to learn to shoot safely, from trained and competent instructors.

Come be one of those instructors. Your council shooting sports committee is scheduling training for 2010. The Current schedule follows:

- Level 1 Archery instructor 13 Mar 2010 Camp Snyder. See <a href="www.ncacss.org">www.ncacss.org</a>. Registration is under the "Boy Scout adult leader" link. A detailed course description is found elsewhere in this Old Rag.
- NRA Shooting instructors and range safety officers check the NRA website <a href="http://www.nrahq.org/">http://www.nrahq.org/</a>

   EDUCATION/Training/instructor.asp or <a href="http://www.vagunsafety.com/">http://www.vagunsafety.com/</a>. This site is run by Colonial district Scouters.
- Cub Scout range officers in work. Training will be scheduled before the Cub Day Camp season.

Once you are trained and certified, you can serve on staff of the Council Centennial Camporee in May 2010 or run ranges for Cub Scout day camp. Your Scouts experience great program and you have lots of fun.

Questions? Please see Peter Pate <a href="mailto:ppate1@yahoo.com">ppate1@yahoo.com</a> or call 703-217-5421.

# **COMMISSIONER TRAINING DATES**

Course Taught	Date	Responsible District
Basic	9/19/09	Old Dominion
Basic	11/21/09	Chain Bridge
Basic	2/27/10	George Mason
ADC	3/27/10	Colonial
Basic	5/08/10	Patriot
Basic	9/25/10	Colonial
Basic	11/20/10	Old Dominion
Basic	2/26/11	Chain Bridge
ADC	3/26/11	Colonial
ADC	5/07/11	George Mason

# **Gear up** for Leadership at Roundtable

Old Dominion District Roundtable Line-up: Note, Attend, Contribute!



**Every 2nd Thursday except July.** 

2009 Roundtable Themes for Boy Scout Month Roundtable

November First Aid

## 2010 FEE INCREASE

The BSA Executive Board unanimously passed a resolution at the business meeting on May 22nd to increase the traditional membership registration fee for all youth and adults to \$15 from its current \$10, effective January 1, 2010. The last fee increase, which was from \$7 to \$10, was in 2003.

A great deal of thought and consideration went into this decision. Consideration was given to an expected deficit to the National Council operating budget, the impact to program and council support, the necessary funding required over the next several years, the cost of implementing fee increases annually in systems and forms, as well as the overall fees paid by councils. Input was sought and received from staff and volunteers at the council level. Finally, given all these considerations, it was determined that the best approach was to increase the fee to this level and make every effort to hold that level for a period of at least three years.

The new registration fee will apply to this year's ODD charter renewal, which we will be undertaking this Fall for the charter year starting January 1, 2010.

# OA DUES FOR 2010 ARE DUE NOW

All members of the Order of the Arrow should pay their 2010 dues no later than December 1, 2009. Dues notices have been sent to every member, but they often get lost in the mail and, especially if a youth is the only OA member in the household, they may not get the attention they need.

Please inform the OA members in your units and involved in any way in Old Dominion District that they can pay the \$12 annual dues by finding the form on the NCAC web site (under Camping and Order of the Arrow at <a href="http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/openrosters/">http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/openrosters/</a>
<a href="ViewOrgPageLink.asp?LinkKey=24637&orgkey=2002">ViewOrgPageLink.asp?LinkKey=24637&orgkey=2002</a>)
and mailing the payment to the council office at:

Amangamek-Wipit Lodge National Capital Area Council 9190 Rockville Pike Bethesda, MD 20814-3897.

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Cub Scout Leader Training	Chip Souser	[redacted]	[redacted]	
Boy Scout Leader Training	Kurt Langenwalter Dennis Wokeck	703-690-4238 703-372-2424	langekl@cox.net wokeck@cox.net	
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Health and First Aid Training	Linda Ferrarro	703-913-0679	firtho4th@aol.com	

# **HIGH ADVENTURE**

Lots of great information on our council's High Adventure activities, including application procedures, calendars, training documents, and much more. http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org: About Us, Council Committees, High Adventure Committee.

The site maintains a bulletin board for existing treks that have openings

- 2011 Unit-Crew Philmont Reservations: NCAC units may register to participate in the web-based lottery for 2011 Philmont unit-crew slots during Nov 1 – 7 and Nov. 29 – Dec. 5, 2009
- 2010 Philmont Opening (NCAC Provisional Trips)
- There are spaces available for the NCAC Contingent Provisional Crews for 2010. To register, fill out a Youth Provisional application on the HAC main page.
- 2010 Seabase Opening (NCAC Provisional Trips)
- There are spaces available for the NCAC Contingent Provisional Crews for 2010. To register, fill out a Youth Provisional application on the HAC main page.
- 2010 Florida Sea Base Live Aboard Diving (Sail and Scuba) Adventure, 26 December 2009 – 2 January 2010. BSA Troop 1570, Herndon, Virginia, has four (4) slots available for the BSA Florida Sea Base Live Aboard Diving (Sail and Scuba) Adventure, 26 December 2009 – 2 January 2010. The Live Aboard program is the most popular and one of the hardest programs to get. Your crew will be part of the sailing crew and participating in three dives a day (morning, afternoon, night)! This is the Sea Base high adventure experience to the max! SCUBA certification is a must. These slots will be offered on a first-come. first-served basis to interested Crew/Scouts and/or adults. Scouts/Crew must be at least 14 years old and recommend prior open water scuba certification. Please contact Troop 1570 High Adventure Chair/Crew 1570 Advisor Mr. J.J. Shaw; Mobile: (703) 598-7526; and/or email: JJShaw@aol.com for details.

#### **Important Dates for 2010 Contingents**

- November 15, 2009 1-4 pm Orientation Advisors, youth and parents invited to hear description of Philmont experience & ask questions. Booz Allen & Hamilton, 8283 Greensboro Drive, McLean, VA 22102
- January 10, 2010 1-4 pm Philmont Crew Fundamentals Adult advisors & crew leaders should at-

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# INTERNATIONAL CAMP STAFF OPPORTUNITIES

From the October 2009 issue of the BSA International Newsletter

### **Korean Camp Staff Program**

The Suncheon Asia Pacific Scout Centre (SAPSC) in Korea will continue to offer camp staff positions throughout the year. The staff role will be to run the Centre's English camp, seasonal and other programs, as well as offer a pro gram to introduce a country's culture and share friendship. The staff working periods are based on three □month terms and may be extended up to a year. SAPSC will hire staff at the beginning of every season in March, June, September, and December. The staff requirements are: Be endorsed by and be an active, registered member of your National Scout Organization; be at least 18 years old and currently enrolled or a graduate of a university; be available for at least 12 weeks; be able to communicate in English fluently; be able to use and teach the Scout method and introduce your country's culture; and be able to live by the culture and laws of Korea. Meals and housing will be provided, as well as a living allowance of \$1,200 for three months. Staff is responsible for arranging travel to and from Korea. Please contact Lisa Cristiano at lisa.cristiano@scouting.org if you would like to participate.

#### **European Camp Staff Program**

Do you know any BSA registered male or female scouters ages 18 to 30 who would enjoy volunteering to work as camp staff at a European Scout center? If so, have them visit www.scouting.org/scoutsource/International/ ecamp.aspx for information on how to participate in the European Camp Staff Program. The eligible Scouters would volunteer to work at least six weeks at a European Scout center. The host center would provide room and board, as well as time to experience the host center's culture and country. It is the responsibility of the participants to pay their own travel to and from the Scout center. The European Scout Region offers a travel reimbursement at the end of the camp assignment. According to each year's budget, the amount that will be reimbursed can vary, but as a general rule, the region aims to cover a minimum of 30 percent of the overall travel costs. The reimbursement will be made in autumn, once the assignment has been completed and the participant has returned home.

# **V3 VIEWS**

**20th Annual Hike-o-ree.** The Hike-o-ree. started by members of the olde George Washington District, predecesor of the Old Dominion District, has been an annual event for the past 19 vears. What started out as a district event has become an annual council wide event attended by not only Scouts, Varsity Scouts, Venturers, and Sea Scouts but also Girl Scouts. The Hike-o-ree was created to give Scouts practice in backpack camping and hiking as a trail crew to prepare them for future high adventures such as going to Philmont. This year's hike was the 20th annual Hike-o-ree attended by over 400 youth and leaders camping at the Front Royal 4H Education Center and hiking trails of the Shenandoah National Park as trail crews. The camping was backpack style the fields of the 4H center covered with backpacking tents and trail tarps but no pop ups, coolers, or camp kitchens. Meals were prepared on backpack stoves.



Trail crews arrived Friday night and camped on a clear night with stars overhead and a crisp mountain air. They rose early before the sun cleared the ridge line andn headed for their assigned 10 mile hikes through out the Shenandoah National Park. The trail crew shown in the picture is made of members of Varsity Team and Venturing Crew 1511 and Mr. Morrow and Jeff Morrow hiked the White Oak Canyon and Cedar Run. The day was glorious with sun and clear skies, some colored leaves still hanging in the trees and magnificent water falls in the canyons.

On Friday and Saturday evening, trail crews attended High Adventure Rallys where they saw movies and power point presentations with rocking music of last summer's high adventures created by Venturing Crews, Varsity Teams, and Scout Troops. They were awsume. The final presentation was a show of trail crews as the checked out for their hike, the 20 years of hike-o-ree tee shirts, and pictures of the hike-o-ree staff that included Old Dominion adult leaders Bob Austin, Cindy Blake, and Adair Petty and former Old Dominion members James Templeton and Cooper Wright, the creator of the Hike-o-ree. Hike-o-ree crews earn awsume tee shirts instead of just a patch. This year's tee shirt bore a graphic of a hiker on a mountain trail with the

shirt bore a graphic of a hiker on a mountain trail with the motivational quote, 'Go confidently in the direction of your dreams" - Thoreau.

All celebrated the 20th Hike-o-ree with three huge cakes and memories of their day's hikes in the mountains. Happy 20th Hike-o-ree.



Venturing After Dark. In the photo above Old Dominion Venturers prepare to get lost in the corn maze at Temple Hall Farm, the largest corn maze in Northern Virginia. Members of Crew 1501 organized the event for the Council which included pumpkin carving contest, chili cook orf (or eat off), some field games just for fun and getting lost in the corn maze. The stormy weather in the morning discouraged the normal size crowd of participants but the afternoon broke clear and dry with a colorful sunset before the trek into the corn. Thanks to Old Dominion Crew 1501 for an outstanding event.





# OA UPDATE

### Arrowmen Needed for Scouting-For-Food at ECHO (14 November):

With the gathering of Scouting-For-Food bags on Saturday, November 14th, Old Dominion Chapter members have a great opportunity to provide much needed community service at the ECHO Building collection center (7205 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield, VA). Arrowmen (led by our Chapter Chief Kyle Staron) will be

receiving, sorting, and consolidating the many tons of food brought to ECHO by Scouting units throughout the day. We will be teaming with Troop 119 in this effort which starts at 9:00 AM and wraps-up sometime in the early afternoon. Participating Arrowmen will be in Scout Uniform with OA Sash. A free pizza and soda lunch will be provided. For more information, please contact Allison Hoopes, Old Dominion Chapter Adviser, at 703-354-0405 or at <a href="mailto:jmhoopes@midohio.net">jmhoopes@midohio.net</a>

Old Dominion Fall Ordeal (20-21 November, Camp Snyder): Old Dominion Chapter will conduct its Fall 2009 Ordeal Weekend on 20-22 November at Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA. Remaining Ordeal candidates will be contacted in the next week. Candidates should keep in mind that this is your last opportunity to complete your Ordeal at an Old Dominion Chapter conducted event in your elected year, and this particular event is the latest scheduled Ordeal in the Lodge. If you do not complete your Ordeal within a year's time you will no longer be eligible and will have to be re-elected by your unit to participate. Unlike previous fall Ordeals, this one will end after dinner and Fellowship on Saturday evening, due to logistic issues at the camp. The registration form is available on the ODD Web Page, OA Section; <a href="http://www.boy.coute.newers/venurestars/">http://www.boy.coute.newers/venurestars/</a>

www.boyscouts-ncac.org/openrosters/ ViewOrgPageLink.asp?LinkKey=19396&orgkey=2017

If we have a sufficient number of Arrowmen in attendance wishing to become Brotherhood members, then we may have a Brotherhood ceremony. As always, the Brotherhood sash would be free of cost to Old Dominion Chapter members with dues paid. An alternate Brotherhood ceremony is being planned for the weekend after Thanksgiving, details to follow to units. Also, Arrowmen who want to participate in a great service opportunity (projects include maintenance of trails and storage areas at the camp), enjoy tremendous fellowship and experience the joys of cheerful service (as well as plenty of wonderful food) are encouraged to come.

Finally, the Saturday evening dinner will serve as the **Chapter Awards Banquet** recognizing the contributions of Old Dominion Arrowmen over the last year. The Fall

2009 Ordeal Weekend Application is attached and will be posted on Old Dominion Chapter Information page on the district website.

2010 Election Season: The time is now upon us to begin thinking about the next round of Unit Elections. Due to the fact that we do not have a traditional Old Dominion District Spring Camporee scheduled before the next Old Dominion Spring Ordeal, we will have to find another event at which to hold our Call Out ceremony. The

2010 Old Dominion Chapter Spring Callout will be held in conjunction with the Merit Badge Jamboree, which is due to take place on Saturday, 6 March 2010. With that in mind, our Unit Elections season will be shortened by a few weeks. It is of the utmost importance that unit leaders respond as soon as possible, if not sooner, to the request for election dates for their units. It is also of the utmost importance that OA members who have not offered to help with elections in the past offer to do so this time around. This is a great opportunity for Cheerful Service, and it offers youth and adult members a wonderful chance to visit other units. Election date surveys will be sent to all unit leaders in the Old Dominion District beginning this week. Please watch for them and respond promptly to help the process work.

### **Key Upcoming Events:**

- November 14: Scouting-For-Food (Collection, Sorting, Storage) at ECHO (Springfield, VA)
- November 20-22: Old Dominion Fall Ordeal (Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA)
- December 4 or 5: Brotherhood ceremony (location TBD)

# **HIGH ADVENTURE (cont.)**

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- tend. Booz Allen & Hamilton, 8283 Greensboro Drive, McLean, VA 22102
- March 6, 2010 9 am to 4 pm Advisor Hike Mandatory 10 mile hike for all adult advisors (make-up will be scheduled if necessary) multiple locations.
- March 13, 2010 9 am to 4 pm Skills Training (all high adventure bases) - Adult advisors & crew leaders (if selected). Camp William B. Snyder, 6100 Antioch Road, Haymarket, VA 20169
- June 12, 2010 8-11 am Final Contingents Transportation Meeting - One adult advisor per crew must attend location TBD

Ed Phillips Old Dominion High Adventure edphill@cox.net, 703.690.6398

# KLONDIKE DERBY

# FEBRUARY 5-7, 2010 The 5th Annual Old Dominion District Klondike Derby

4-H Center, Front Royal, VA

# Registration is Open for the 2010 ODD Klondike!

The Klondike Derby is a patrol competition of patrol skills, individual knowledge, teamwork, and ingenuity with a winter backdrop and Alaskan challenges. The main competition lasts all day Saturday with the main goal of working as Patrol to complete as many different stations as possible – no patrol has ever done them all!

It is repeatedly cited as one of the most fun Scout outings. It allows the youth to decide how to spend their time to maximize their earnings!

The cost for this year is:

Scouts & Scouters in the Lodge: \$70.00 Scouts & Scouters camping: \$45.00

These prices include Saturday Breakfast, Saturday Dinner, Sunday Breakfast, Friday and Saturday night Socials, and Hot Chocolate and Coffee throughout the day. The amenities, awards, patches, and all other admin costs are included, too! Patrols only need to plan and cook the Saturday lunch for part of the competition!

Registrations are due by 8 January 2010; registrations are required to secure berthing. On time registrations will include a Klondike pen for each Scout and Scouter.

The Klondike Package is available now on the ODD website, District Forms section at: <a href="http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/openrosters/ViewOrgPageLink.asp?LinkKey=17130&orgkey=2017">http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/openrosters/ViewOrgPageLink.asp?LinkKey=17130&orgkey=2017</a>.

**Special Incentive and Opportunity to put your Troop's or Crew's claim in the Klondike!** In the past the director has created and planned all the Klondike Stations. This year, if a troop or crew would like to develop and provide the Station Guide and materials for a challenging station, Fred will incorporate it into the Klondike and the Troop/Crew will get a 50% discount on one Scouter registration.

#### Guidelines:

- 1. The Station must be challenging, fun, and patrol oriented.
- 2. The Station must be constructed in a manner that allows points/gold to be awarded. The conduct of the station, the points assigned, and the scenario must be clearly written. Most stations are worth between 30 and 40 points.
- 3. The Troop/Crew must provide one adult to work the station.
- 4. The Station must be within the requirements of the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting.
- 5. The Station must be approved by the Klondike Camp Director and Station Manager.

Examples of past Station Leader Guidelines can be provided; contact Fred Woody if interested. It's fun setting up a challenge and watching the Scouts work together to beat that challenge!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contract Fred Woody at 202-685-5750 or fred.woody@navy.mil.

# Think snow

# **POWERED BY POPCORN 2009 SALE**



I hope everyone is having a great sale! We've been selling for a couple months now and our final popcorn order is due Nov 18. You can order by case or individual container this time and delivery will be on Dec 5.

Prize orders are also due Nov 18.

It's easiest to consolidate prize orders into a unit order, which is then entered into the popcorn system. Don't forget that every Scout who sells one item gets a patch or a pin which you must order with your prizes. If you have Scouts who sold \$1000, \$1500 or \$2500 total, you'll also need to submit the special prize form and the Scout's sale sheets to Council. The form is on the Council Popcorn website. The \$1500 incentives can be ordered on the Trails-end website.

Remember that scouts can only choose one prize for the level they sold, and online sales only count toward the \$1000, \$1500 and \$2500 total and may not be included in their prize order total. There are still two more drawings left for \$100 Wal-Mart gift cards and free tickets to the Washington Nationals Baseball game in May, so keep sending in those filled take-order forms!

Trails-End is also having an online special this month. Any unit that generates \$1,000 in online sales between now and Friday, Nov 20 will receive \$100 in bonus commission from Trail's End.

Thank you for all your hard work! Good luck in your final efforts to reach your sales goals.

Have questions or need more information? Contact Karin Linehan, ODD Popcorn Kernel, at: linehank@verizon.net or 703-495-0133.

#### **Important 2009 Sale Dates**

- Nov 18 Popcorn Order #2 Due, Prize Orders Due to both Trails-End and NCAC
- Dec 5 Popcorn Pickup #2 (locations TBA, \$10,000+ at unit specified locations)
- Dec 20 Final Popcorn Payment Due

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