



The Old Rag

Old Dominion Pride ...
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The Old Dominion District

WEB Edition

August 11, 2011

CALENDAR

August

5	<i>The Old Rag</i> input due	
5	Early Popcorn order due	13
7	OA Chapter Meeting	
11	Cub Scout, Boy Scout, V3 Roundtables	6
11	JSN Backup Training Date	
24	District Committee Meeting, 7:30	
25	Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:30	
27	Commissioner Training	2

September

2	<i>The Old Rag</i> input due	
8	Cub Scout, Boy Scout, V3 Roundtables	
8	WTS Training (before Roundtable)	
9	Popcorn Order #2 due	13
11	OA Chapter Meeting	
17	SM/ASM Specific Training	7
24-25	Goshen Bears Workend	
26	Intro to Outdoor Ldr Skills Trng, part 1	7
28	District Committee Meeting, 7:30	
29	Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:30	
30-Oct 1	Intro to Outdoor Ldr Skills Trng, part 2	7

October

2	OA Chapter Meeting	
2	Popcorn Order #3 due	13
7	<i>The Old Rag</i> input due	
13	Cub Scout, Boy Scout, V3 Roundtables	
13	Webelos-to-Scout Training (back-up)	
14-16	Fall Camporee and Fall Webelos-ree	3, 8
22	NCAC Centennial Celebration	
26	District Committee Meeting, 7:30	
27	Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:30	
28-30	OA Fall Ordeal	10

November

2	<i>The Old Rag</i> input due	
4-6	Hike-o-ree	9, 12
5	Scouting for Food bag distribution	
6	OA Chapter Meeting	
10	Cub Scout, Boy Scout, V3 Roundtables	
10	Scout Expo (before RT)	
12	Scouting for Food bag pick-up	
16	Popcorn Order due	13
16	District Committee Meeting, 7:30	
17	Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:30	
19	Pow Wow	
30	Silver Beaver Nominations Due	

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.

WHATS UP INSIDE ODD

- **Commissioner news and commissioner training** dates are found on page 2.
- **WEBELOS-REE**, Oct.ober 14-16, information is on page 3. Be at Roundtable to help work it out.
- Find details on the new **Good Scouter Breakfast**, October 10th, and a new **ODD youth recognition** opportunity on page 4.
- **Membership and JSN** training details and updates are also found on page 4.
- A **recap of Day Camp**, and some thoughts for next year are on page 5.
- The **NCAC strategic finance goals for 2012** are summarized on page 6.
- **Scoutmaster Specific Training** and **Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Training** opportunities are announced on page 7, along with a summary of available on-line training.
- **Fall Camporee planning** information is found on page 8. Be ready for further discussion before the August Roundtable. Date is October 14-16.
- The 53rd **Jamboree-on-the-Air** happens during the Fall Camporee. Want to run a station at the Camporee—see page 8 for more information.
- **V3 news** starts on page 9. Find information on coming programs and opportunities.
- Information on the **OA Fall Ordeal** and upcoming **brotherhood opportunities** is found on page 10.
- The **2011 World Jamboree** is underway as this is written; news of the recent related Embassy of Sweden event is presented on page 11.
- The 22nd Annual V3 (Venturing, Varsity, and Venture) **Hike-o-ree** will be held on, November 4-6, 2011. Preliminary details are found on page 12.
- Page 13 recaps the coming **2011 Popcorn sale** program, an opportunity for units to raise funds, and scouts to earn prizes.

COMMISSIONERS' CORNER



Commissioner Staff News

Thanks to Dennis Ratliff (Boy Scout side RTC) who is moving from the district. Also Bill Wilson will also be turning over Cub side RTC to Mark Burrows - much appreciation to both for their years of service as part of a truly dynamic roundtable staff. We need a replacement for Dennis on the Scout side and we're also still in need of an ADC for New Unit Service.

Roundtable Attendance for June

Cub Scout – 26 Scouters from 18 out of 37 units (50%)
Boy Scout – 23 Scouters from 16 out of 34 units (46%)
Venturing/Varsity – 21 Scouters from 9 of 23 units (40%)

Charter Renewal

District Recharter Process – There are still a few items outstanding for some commissioners to renew their registration. Please get these items to ADC Hubert Fry within the next week or two. His contact information is 703-451-7312 and fryh@cox.net.

Unit Health Assessment

Thanks to all for your support in accomplishing the mid-year unit health assessments. We had 100% response with results: 80.6% GREEN, 14% YELLOW, 4.3% RED. Great job to ADC for Unit Health Don Palmaki for getting them all in - a first in my tenure as District Commissioner !

Unit Visitation

Unit Visitation Tracking System. We have almost a third of our units with 6 visits already for the year (the goal is 50%). There are some units with no visits logged as of yet – please give attention if it is one of your units. As an additional resource, there is a Unit Visitation checklist provided in the “Administration of Unit Service” handbook. While these are not required, it is a good resource for possible use.

Commissioner Training

There is a Commissioner Basic Training opportunity for those who need it on 27 August in Fredericksburg and another in our area (Virginia Central) in September. ADC John Pastino will be forwarding information.

Commissioner Retreat

I'd like to thank ADCs Jim Stewart and Bill Nelson for representing Old Dominion at the annual Council Commissioner's Retreat held the weekend of 23-24 July at Mt St Mary's College. They came back with a bunch of

good information that we will be sharing over the next few commissioner staff meetings and via email

Heading into the Fall

Remember – Fall is a very busy time. The earlier you can encourage units to ramp up and kick off, the more productive a period it will be for them. Membership (JSN) drives, charter renewal, pushing to the end on Journey to Excellence goals, participating in and helping with Fall district program events, and more. As advisors and helpers, it's your job to sit down with unit leadership soon and make sure their Fall plans are in place and ready to put into gear! Here's looking forward to another great Scouting year in Old Dominion.

Scott Staron
District Commissioner
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Commissioner Training

Course Taught	Date	Responsible District
CBT	August 27, 2011	Mattaponi
CBT	Sept. 24, 2011	Patriot
CBY	Sept. 24, 2011	Montgomery

Contact John Pastino at: <redacted> for additional information on Commissioner Training.

CORRECTION

The June Old Rag had a statement about what training will be required for unit charter renewal that is misleading and may cause confusion.

The corrected statement should read: For Charter Renewal this year all unit leaders; e.g., Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, Cub masters, Assistant Cub masters, Den Leaders, and Assistant Den Leaders must be fully trained in their position to continue in those positions. Committee Members do NOT have to be fully trained in their positions although it is highly encouraged.

CHAIRMAN'S NOTES



Wow! Summer is usually a slow time for scouting. Not this year...the summer of 2011 has been full of non-stop scouting activities. Old Dominion District Scouts and Scouters have filled up those lazy summer days out camping in places like Goshen and Camp William B. Snyder. What a great time to be in the

Boy Scouts of America!

I would like to personally thank all the adults that volunteered to help make all those events possible for the scouts. Every volunteer who takes personal vacation time from work to help out in scouting, your time is valuable and I thank you for selflessly giving it to scouting!

I want to let you all know of a few changes to the district leadership this summer. Mike Nepi is the new Vice Chairman of Finance. Joining Mike on the finance team is Doug Cochrane as Deputy Vice Chairman and Friends of Scouting Chairman and Dave Glenister who will be a team lead for FOS 2012. Dennis Wokeck our Program Vice Chairman has added Monica Lynch to the Program team as the Activities and Civic Services Chair. Dan Ehrlich has added Tony Tersine to the Membership team. Tony is your Join Scouting Night Lead. Please join me in welcoming these fantastic new district volunteers!

Membership is heading into that all-important time we call JSN, Join Scouting Nights. I look forward to talking with all the unit JSN rep's on Thursday, August 11, 2011, at roundtable. Dan Ehrlich and his team are ready and excited to make this the best JSN season yet!

YIS,
Holly Brown
District Chairman
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Above: NCAC Sea Base Council Contingency Crew (Old Dominion District Crew 3200, Troop 1115, and Ship 1115) on the Jolly II Rover.

Left: This is what happens to the guys when it is a co-ed trip. The girls do up the guys hair (and the guys love it)!

WEBELOS-REE

When: October 14-16, 2011

Where: Fort Washington Park

What is a Webelos-ree: Held in conjunction with the Camporee, it is a chance for Webelos's to visit Boy Scout Troops and do some fun activities. Some of the activities will include Archery, Readyman, Emergency Preparedness, Jamboree-on-the-Air, and touring the Fort. Just some of the possible events.

Webelos Den Leaders should plan on attending a planning session on Thursday, August 11, 2011, at 7:00pm at Thomas Jefferson High School, same place as roundtable. Please bring your ideas and suggestions for the program and who will volunteer for the needed positions to run this event (Webelos-ree Director, Webelos-ree Program Director, Administration, Station Managers)

FACEBOOK MARKETPLACE

Do you have extra camping equipment stuffed into a closet or storage? Are you in need of some gently used equipment? Why not turn to NCAC's Facebook Marketplace. Just go to the Photos section and look under the Marketplace Album to see what is available.

If you would like to post an item; please send a picture, brief description of the item and your contact information to ncacolddominion@gmail.com.

Thanks,
Nam



MEMBERSHIP NOTES

Make-up Fall Join Scouting Night (JSN) Training before August Roundtable at 7pm at TJHS

We only had THREE (3) attendees at our JSN Training in June. Fellow Scouters, this is time well spent—we'll go through a lot of the basics in planning and preparation so that you'll be ready for those Back to School nights and to deliver a blockbuster Join Scouting Night (JSN). Leaders, please send your JSN Coordinator to this important training!

It's Prime Time Recruiting—JSN Time!

In less than a month our kids will be back in school. Now is the time for our units to reach out to their schools and arrange for presence during Back to School Nights and schedule Join Scouting Nights. A little planning now ensures a great JSN and growth in your unit.

We Need your Unit JSN Coordinator Info Get your Stuff

First, an important request—we need your units to provide us your JSN Coordinator as well as your targeted schools ASAP. Please send the info to:

<redacted> and cubmaster678@verizon.net.

Second, we've requested more recruiting material from NCAC for your units at Thursday's roundtable. We ask that you take what you need, but need what you take—materials gathering dust in your garage potentially deprive your Scouter colleagues of important resources.

Third, once your unit holds the JSN, we want to hear about the experience. What worked, what didn't and how many boys were recruited. Please send the info to <redacted> and cubmaster678@verizon.net.

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 Professional Joe Gouda

joseph.guida@scouting.org

Cub Scout Recruiting Coordinator Tony Tersine

t<redacted>

Boy Scout Recruiting Coordinator — Vacant

HELP WANTED

WTS Coordinator John Ruby

john.ruby@cytechservices.com

New Unit Coordinator — Vacant

HELP WANTED

TWO NEW COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED OCTOBER 10, 2011!

Please save the date! On October 10, 2011, the Old Dominion District, ODD will be holding it's first ever, *Good Scouter Breakfast*. The purpose of this event is to honor a member of our local community for their exemplary, sustained service to others in the spirit of Scouting. The recipient will be the first awardee of the *Old Dominion District Community Leadership Award*. The special event committee will be announcing the adult recipient in the very near future.

In addition, the Old Dominion District would like to recognize one youth who displays similar behavior. The youth must have made a significant and lasting impact on their community either through service, strategic planning or leadership. This accomplishment does not have to be conducted as part of the Scouting program (i.e., an Eagle project) though Scouting-related efforts are not excluded from consideration. We are asking the community to invest more in Scouting and it is the hope of Old Dominion District that we can identify a local Scout who has demonstrated a significant commitment to our community through a comparable investment. The period considered for actions is November 2010 through the current time. Anyone may nominate a currently registered youth. Please send nominations by September 1, 2011 to ODD District Chairman Holly Brown at brown.hollyh@verizon.net.



ODD Scouters Kevin Hart, Mike Nepi and instructor Bao-Thuy Nguyen at the recent Wood Badge course.

CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP 2011 MEDIEVAL ADVENTURES!



The District held another great week of Day Camp at Occoquan Regional Park July 11-15th. The Cubs had fun shooting bbs and archery, fishing, and learning about nature. They also had fun on the sports and volleyball fields, and making knights shields, catapults, and crossbows!

THANK YOU CAMP STAFF!

Many thanks for the fantastic work of our Camp Staff. Thanks to their time, talents, and willingness to spend a week of their summer working, camp was a huge success!

Thanks also to the Pack Coordinators! From registering the scouts, gathering paperwork, and distributing water bottles and t-shirts, they all did a great job!

HELP WANTED

Yes, camp just finished, but planning has already started for next year and we're looking for adult staff to help run our programs. The camp date has not been finalized yet, but will be between June 25 and July 14. The more staff we have, the better Program we're able to run. For example, with more trained Range officers we could have larger ranges with more targets!

Administration	BB Range	Sports & Games
Archery Range	Nature	Webelos Program

HAVE QUESTIONS OR WANT TO VOLUNTEER?
Contact Karin Linehan at ODDaycamp@gmail.com.

SUBSCRIBE OR MAKE E-MAIL 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**

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.)

PHOTOS AVAILABLE

Any unit wanting photos of the ODD Spring Camporee and/or the ODD Awards Banquet, please bring your laptop, notebook, or memory card (stick, Sandisk, or CF) to the August Roundtables and see Gary Black.

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The Purpose of the Old Dominion District is to serve the Scouting needs of the units in the District.

GEAR UP FOR LEADERSHIP AT ROUNDTABLE

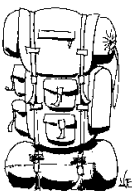
Every 2nd Thursday except July.

Cub Scouts: Tigers, Wolves and Bears. Oh Yea! But don't forget the Webelos, Oh No!

The fun starts here August 11th, 8 PM, at Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology. As we launch our Cub Roundtable for the new year with some new ideas and a great program plan. Our core value of Cooperation brings with it some great games and hands on activities to take home and then we make the split for resources to support and guide new Den Leaders as well as develop adult participation in support of active Packs. And if that's not enough, we have lots of beads for summertime active leaders and Den Chiefs.

We look forward to reconnecting with all our friends from last year and meeting some great new ones so car-pool and bring everyone out.

Your Old Dominion Cub Round Table Staff



LOGGING COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

Units can now enter their service hours at: www.scouting.org/awards/journeytoexcellence. Look for the "Service Project" area of the screen. There they can find the link to log hours, information for first time users, ideas and tips for a successful service project, and sample reports that can be pulled by their council administrator. To enter service hours click on "service hours website." Choose "New User Click Here" or enter in the existing username and password. Users can still use www.goodturnforamerica.com and they will be redirected to the new data collection site. If you have any questions, please contact the national service desk at 1-972-580-2267.

As a reminder to those who are closely following the new Journey to Excellence (JTE) program, community service hours are measured and tracked for the Council's JTE scorecard and the number of events are tracked for the unit's scorecard. The Community Service Hours metric for units is evaluated as follows:

Level	Troop/Team	Pack/Crew/Ship
Gold	6 events	4 events
Silver	5 events	3 events
Bronze	4 events	2 events

For the council measurement tracks the total service hours per youth member as recorded on the Journey to Excellence service hours website



FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

The following changes to NCAC's 2012 strategic finance goals are provided for your edification:

- Reenergize capital campaign to raise additional capital funds (pay off)
- Camp Snyder debt; pay for Goshen Dam modification)
- Develop and implement endowment program for increased cash and deferred gifts (ODD currently lowest fund for size of district)
- Increase FOS Family campaign to \$200 average gift
- Increase FOS Scouter campaign to 100% participation

Immediate action for ODD is to identify three (3) "Pacesetter" units by September 30, 2011. Pacesetters are units historically meeting or exceeding FOS goals. These units will be eligible for incentives (i.e. camp discounts, free advancements, images on website). For incentives, Pacesetter units must attend FOS Kick-off, complete Family campaign by January 21, 2012, and identify a person to do presentations to other units. 100% unit presentations by February 28, 2012

Mike Nepi
VC Finance
<redacted>



Sunset at Seabase.

THE TRAINING PAGES

Need to get trained for your new position fast? Most training is available online at www.olc.scouting.org and can be completed in short sessions. Need more advanced training? Check out the Council website for available courses, information and online registration. Go to www.boyscouts-ncac.org 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.

For online training you will need your id number provided on your registration card from BSA if you have one, if not you can take the training and then add your number to your profile when you receive it.

All registered adults must have youth protection training including newly registered adults, their YPT card must be attached to their registration form or the registration form will not be accepted by Council.

See the list of available on-line training on the right. And check the Council calendar for more training events and register online through the calendar at www.boyscouts-ncac.org.



The following On-line training is available at: www.myscouting.org

Youth Protection Training (YPT) –

Re-certification is mandatory at least once every two years. This course is required to register as a Scouter.

Youth Protection Training For Venture Leaders–

Re-certification is mandatory at least once every two years. This is a different class for Venturing leaders which addresses special considerations for older age youth, and coed units.

This is Scouting – is the entry-level course required for all Scout leader training.

Cub Scout Leader Position Specific Training (CSLT) – covers all Cub Scout leader positions.

Chartered Organization Representative Training (COR) – This Is Scouting is not a prerequisite for COR Training but is recommended for CORs not familiar with the Scouting program. Fast start for CORs is available online.

Troop Committee Challenge (TCC) – covers all Troop Committee positions

Supplemental Training Modules – are designed to provide orientation beyond the basic training

Scoutmaster Specific Training

September 17, 2011

Join us for a day of learning and sharing - focusing on the tasks that Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters deal with routinely. This is the second of three required training sessions for the Trained strip (the other sessions being New Leaders Essential or This is Scouting and Outdoor Leader Skills). Come join us and help your troop and Scoutmaster by becoming trained.

- Training location – Springfield United Methodist Church, 7047 Old Keene Mill Rd, Springfield VA 22150
- Time – 8AM to 4:30PM (doors open at 7:30)
- Cost – FREE
- Online pre-registration is required:
<https://spreadsheets.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dE5YOVhMUIk5MEpMSV9NVUpFZGI5eIE6MQ>

New trainers always welcome - if you're already trained but would like to share and continue learning - please consider helping the District Training Team. We would love to have your assistance in training other scout leaders. Contact either John Hannon at: <redacted> or Kurt Langenwalter at: langekl@cox.net.

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

Monday, September 26 and Friday and Saturday, September 30-October 1

This is the third required training session for the “Trained” as a Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, Varsity, or Venturing leader. The training covers basic scouting skills in an adult campout setting. The program will be conducted at Springfield United Methodist Church and Camp Highroads. The cost is the cost of food. We'll have fun, experience new techniques and gain lots of tips to make the Outdoor program a fun and memorable part of your troops scouting adventure.

The course runs Monday evening and then a Friday evening through Saturday evening You must pre-register on-line to reserve a slot for either course by filling out the form at:

<https://spreadsheets.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dE5YOVhMUIk5MEpMSV9NVUpFZGI5eIE6MQ>

When you register it will ask for your BSA Registration Number. After registering you will receive a confirmation e-mail. If you have any questions email me at: woeck.boy_scouts@cox.net

FALL CAMPOREE

Are you prepared for an invasion? It could be a hurricane, a tornado, a flu virus outbreak, a catastrophe or any type of an invasion.

The Urban Emergency Preparedness Camporee

Summer will be winding down soon and the cool days of Fall will be upon us. This is a great time to camp outdoors as the sweltering heat will die down. A great opportunity for camping will be the Fall Camporee at Fort Washington, MD, scheduled for the 14-16th of October. As the Camporee Director I assure you we have a very special event scheduled for this year. In keeping with the Scout Slogan we are going to have a great set of activities associated with emergency preparedness. Your Camporee Committee is planning a lot of fun activities but we need you to join us. Scouts will have to put their skills to use throughout the event so start refreshing up on first aid, knots, lashings, fire building, cheers, and your ability to think fast during a rescue mission.

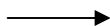
Since some, if not all of you, are fans of video games we have a special treat to get you outside to join us at the Camporee. We plan on kicking the fun up on this Camporee. As you work your way through the weekend's events you will practice safety and use your Scout skills. You will learn what to do in the event of a major weather event, catastrophe, or outbreak such as a flu virus or other bad bug. With that in mind check out the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's web site on Emergency Preparedness and Response - <http://emergency.cdc.gov/>. They have everything to prepare you for natural disasters, severe weather, mass casualties, and even a Preparedness 101: Zombie Apocalypse (<http://blogs.cdc.gov/publichealthmatters/2011/05/preparedness-101-zombie-apocalypse/>).

We are asking for Troops to help sponsor and run one of the many events on Saturday.

I will be at the August Roundtable with my two program directors, Brian Woodward and Scott Turner to answer questions and obtain numbers of those who are planning to come and join us.

Do not think for a second we are doing this alone. We are thankful to have our Venturing Crews and Sea Scout Ships organize Venturing Out activities at the camporee for older Scouts, Varsity Scouts, Venturers and Sea Scouts such as sailing, sea kayaking, adventure race, historic scavenger hunt, geocaching, and a bike trek. What we need are Troops to step up and volunteer to host an event during Saturday's round robin.

What else are we looking for assistance with??? We're glad you asked!



JAMBOREE-ON-THE-AIR

The 53rd Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA) is scheduled for October 16-17, 2010, which happens to be the same time as our Fall Camporee.

JOTA is an annual Scouting and amateur radio event sponsored by the World Scout Bureau of the World Organization of the Scout Movement. Thousands of amateur radio stations around the world participate.

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/intl/pdf/130-218.pdf>
<http://www.scouting.org/jota.aspx>

Paul Jones is coordinating this event.



Members from Crew 4522 on top of the Tooth of Time while attending the National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) at Philmont Scout Ranch in July.

If you have access to or work with the Coast Guard, Emergency Evacuation services (We really want a helicopter landing), and Explorer unit who works rescue or emergency preparedness drills please get in touch with Shawn Anderson, Fall Camporee Director at 571-216-6410.

The next camporee planning meeting will be Thursday, August 11, starting at 7pm at the Thomas Jefferson High School – same place as roundtable.

V3 VIEWS

Upcoming Venturing, Sea Scouting, and Varsity Events.

- Sep 6, 2011 (Tue), 7:30-9:00 p.m., NCAC Venturing Officer Association KICK-OFF MEETING, Marriott Scout Service Center, Bethesda, MD. (More Information to follow), contact: Gerry Souser, President, NCAC CVOA <redacted> !!!
- Oct 14-16, 2011 (Fri-Sun), Old Dominion District Fall Camporee and Venturing Out, Fort Washington, MD
- Oct 22 & 23, 2011 (Sat-Sun), NCAC Venturing Officer Association NCAC Centennial Venturing Overnighter, Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA. (More Information to follow. Coming only for Saturday is OK.), contact: Gerry Souser, President, NCAC CVOA, <redacted>.
- Nov 4-6, 2011 (Fri-Sun), V3 Hike-o-ree, Northern Virginia 4-H Educational Center, Front Royal, and the Shenandoah National Forest, VA. (Coming only Friday night and Saturday is OK.)
- Nov 12, 2011 (Sat), Scouting for Food, food bank stocking – we need the help of Venturers, Sea Scouts, and Varsity Scouts to count, sort, and stock the Scouting for Food donations.



istration needs to be in by 31 January 2012. Selection for the Jamboree Crew will be announced by Council on 1 June 2012. Interested Venturers, Sea Scouts, and their adult leaders can sign up now for a NCAC Jamboree Venturing Crew at the National Jamboree 2013 website – <http://summit.scouting.org> To be eligible,

Venturers or Sea Scouts:

- Must have a current BSA membership with a Venturing Crew or Sea Scout Ship.
- Must have graduated the 8th grade or be at least 14 years of age by the first day of the jamboree (15 July 2013), but have not reached their 21st birthday by the last day of the jamboree (24 July 2013).
- Participate in a pre-jamboree training experience.
- Be approved by the unit leader and local council.
- Have filed a Jamboree Personal Health and Medical record with the council jamboree committee before the pre-jamboree training.
- Submit all registration fees per the local council's payment schedule.

The cost for the Jamboree itself will \$825. NCAC has not yet determined the NCAC Jamboree Crew and Troop costs which will have to add cost for equipment and transportation.

You can sign up now on the <http://summit.scouting.org> > 2013 Jamboree > Youth Participants > Application Instructions. Adult leaders and staff, both youth and adult, can find information under the “2013 Jamboree” tab as well.

See you at the Summit 2013 National Jamboree!

What's New?

Journey to Excellence for Varsity Teams and Sea Scout Ships. The Varsity Teams and Sea Scout Ships now have Journey to Excellence unit score cards. Log on to the www.scouting.org website page shown below and check out your unit score card. How are you doing right now? What do you need to do by the end of December to score “Gold” for your unit and your Scouts?

www.scouting.org > Volunteer > Scouting's Journey to Excellence (right sidebar menu)

Journey to Excellence – Five Months Left to “Gold”. Only 5 months left to “Go for the Gold” in your Journey to Excellence. Go to the above website to get a score card for your unit and check your score now. What do you need to do to get to “Gold?”

Venturing Crews join Scout Troops at National Jamboree 2013 at Summit Bechtel Scout Reserve, WV. For the first time, Venturers and Sea Scouts can attend the National Jamboree as participants and members of a NCAC Jamboree Venturing Crew. In past National Jamborees, Venturers and Sea Scouts served as staff members but the participants were Scouts in Jamboree Scout Troops. For the 2013 National Jamboree, the NCAC has an allocation for 36 Venturing/Sea Scout youth and 4 adult leaders for a NCAC Jamboree Venturing Crew. To be considered for the NCAC Jamboree 2013 Crew, your reg-

The New Philmont East – Summit Bechtel Scout Reservation, West Virginia. Check out the website on Summit Bechtel Scout Reservation <http://summit.scouting.org> Activities that will be available at Summit include whitewater rafting and kayaking the New River, climbing and rappelling really tall cliffs, awesome zip lines, challenge courses, treks, mountain biking, world-class skate and BMX programs, target sports of all kinds, and more. Your new destination for high adventure in the east – Summit!!!

High Adventure Movies and Shows. So what did your crew, ship, or team doing this summer. Turn your pictures into a high adventure movie or show. We are looking for great high adventure movies or shows to show at the fall camporee and the Hike-o-ree. We would love to show yours. At the fall camporee, one of the competitions will be a high adventure movie festival. Show your best; show your fun; win an Old Dominion Oscar.

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OA UPDATE



Upcoming Events

Brotherhood Conversion Opportunity – September TBD – Alexandria Coast Guard Station.

The Old Dominion Chapter of the Order of the Arrow will be conducting a Brotherhood Walk and associated Brotherhood Conversion Ceremony during a Friday evening in September, date TBD. This will be an opportunity for eligible Ordeal members of the Order of the Arrow to seal their membership in the order. If unit leaders are interested in identifying unit members that are eligible for Brotherhood Conversion, they are encouraged to contact the chapter adviser, Jeff Morrow, via email, oddscoouter@cox.net, to obtain the information for their use in encouraging unit members to convert their membership. The entire Brotherhood conversion can be accomplished at no cost to the eligible member. Sign up forms will be provided by chapter wide email during the month of September.

Brotherhood Conversion Opportunity – October 15 – Fall Camporee – Ft. Washington, Maryland. The Old Dominion Chapter of the Order of the Arrow will be conducting a Brotherhood Walk and associated Brotherhood Conversion Ceremony during the afternoon and evening of October 15, during the Old Dominion District's Fall Camporee. This will be an opportunity for eligible Ordeal members of the Order of the Arrow to seal their membership in the order. If unit leaders are interested in identifying unit members that are eligible for Brotherhood Conversion, they are encouraged to contact the chapter adviser, Jeff Morrow, via email, oddscoouter@cox.net, to obtain the information for their use in encouraging unit members to convert their membership. The entire Brotherhood conversion can be accomplished at no cost to the eligible member. Sign up forms will be provided by chapter wide email during the month of September.

Fall Ordeal – October 28-30 – Camp Moss Hollow. The Old Dominion Chapter of the Order of the Arrow will hold its Fall Ordeal on the weekend of October 28-30 at Camp Moss Hollow. Come out and fulfill your ordeal while providing cheerful service to Camp Moss Hollow and the inner city youth that use the camp. Arrowmen are also welcome to come out and participate in the ordeal as Elangomats or provide cheerful service while welcoming our newest members.

Youth Elangomats are needed to support the Fall Ordeal. There will also be an opportunity for eligible Arrowmen to seal their membership in the Order of the Arrow by completing their Brotherhood conversion. The

Brotherhood walk will occur Saturday afternoon with the Brotherhood ceremony occurring late that evening. Brotherhood costs nothing but your time and commitment. However, you do need to register.

This is the last opportunity in the Old Dominion District for those scouts and Scouters who were elected by their fellow scouts and Scouters and called out at the Spring Camporee to fulfill their induction into the Order of the Arrow. If you are one of those that were elected for induction and you do not complete your ordeal by the end of this year, you will have to be re-elected by your fellow scouts for you to be eligible for induction into the Order of the Arrow next year. Re-election is not always guaranteed.

Contact your Troop Order of the Arrow Representative (TOARs) for more on the ordeal and Brotherhood.

Summary of Recent Chapter Events

Lodge Leadership Development – Camp William B. Snyder. The Old Dominion Chapter was represented by your chapter leadership at the June 11 Lodge Leadership Development training held at Camp William B. Snyder. This training allowed the chapter leadership to understand the lodge plans for the upcoming year and to provide an understanding of their roles to all of the new chapter leadership. We want to thank all of the the chapter leadership that attended the training.

Goshen Bus Loading – July 16-17 – Fairfax Government Center. The Old Dominion Chapter of the Order of the Arrow supported the council's Goshen bus loading with two other chapters on July 16 and 17. I want to thank Chapter Chief Brian Umberger and the other Arrowmen that came out Saturday, Sunday or both days to provide cheerful service to the council and the scouts that came back from and/or departed for a week at the camps at the Goshen Reservation.

Goshen OA Trail (GOAT) Crew. The Old Dominion Chapter wants to congratulate Allan Davis for being a member of this year's GOAT service crew for the Goshen Scout Reservation. Allan and other OA members provided cheerful service to Goshen by clearing trails and cleaning up other areas of the reservation and then enjoying the Lenhok'sin Trail as the GOAT crew formed up and hiked the trails of the Goshen Reservation and enjoying the Lenhok'sin out posts. Well done Allan and we look forward to your report at the next Chapter meeting.

2011 Dues and Brotherhood Eligibility

To all unit leaders and TOARs, please check with all

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BOY SCOUTS IN D.C. PREPARED FOR THE WORLD JAMBOREE

In preparation for the 22nd World Jamboree which will be held in Rinkaby this summer the Diplomatic Mission of Sweden to the United States hosted Scouts and adult Scouters at their Embassy in Washington DC celebrating Scouting around the world.



Over three hundred Scouts, Scouters and various Venturers gathered with staff from the NCAC International committee for blocks of instruction on Sweden, its culture and history, Scouting in the Kingdom of Sweden and the upcoming World Jamboree in Rinkaby. Representatives from the Svenska Scoutförbundet (the Swedish Guide and Scout Association) flew to the US to be part of this effort. There were presentations on Scouting around the world and recent World Jamborees along with a knot tying exercise and a hike to Teddy Roosevelt Island.

When arriving to the Embassy and House of Sweden, the scouts were welcomed by Ms. Marie-Louise Lövgren, Head of Communication for the 22nd World Scout Jamboree, and Mr. Lennart Killander-Larsson, Counselor for Trade and Economic Affairs at the Swedish Embassy. At the close of the event there was an address by a senior member of the diplomatic mission followed by the award of a commemorative patch for all participants, along with a World Jamboree pin from the Swedish hosts. NCAC International Representative Chuck Davidson presented a gift on behalf of the BSA to the Diplomatic Mission.

A number of participants took applications for the International Activity Patch and International Scouter Award. Life Scout Warren Nooger of the Commonwealth of Virginia completed all the requirements of the International Activity Patch at the session and a Scouter fulfilling requirement XVIII of the International Scouter Award submitted the result to Dan Anderson who was present representing the NCAC. Many other Scouts, Scouters and Venturers fulfilled partial credit by being in attendance and have begun the path to completion

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the members of your units to insure that they are current with their lodge dues. Also check with any OA member that has completed their ordeal more than 10 months ago and inquire as to whether or not they have sealed their membership in the order by completing their Brotherhood conversion or when they intend to do so. Brotherhood conversion is a key parameter to the Old Dominion Chapter being able to achieve Honor status each year. Information on who is eligible for Brotherhood Conversion and that status of any members lodge dues is available to the unit leadership by contacting the Old Dominion Chapter Adviser, Mr. Jeff Morrow, at oddscoouter@cox.net.

Key Upcoming Events:

- Aug. 7 — Chapter Meeting – Sydenstricker United Methodist Church
- Sept. 4 — Chapter Meeting – Sydenstricker United Methodist Church
- Sept. 16 – 18 — National Leadership Seminar – Camp Alpine, NJ
- Sept. TBD — Brotherhood Conversion Opportunity – Alexandria Coast Guard Station. Stay Tuned for Details
- Oct 14—Brotherhood opportunity at the Fall Camporee, Fort Washington, MD
- Oct 28-30 — Fall Ordeal, Camp Moss Hollow



Venture Crew 610 practices climbing at Sportrock.

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Old Dominion Fall Camporee Venturing Out!! The Old Dominion Fall Camporee will be 14-16 October at Fort Washington, MD. The Venturing Out possible activities for Venturers, Varsity Scouts, Sea Scouts, and older Scouts are:

1. Sea Kayaking on the Piscataway
2. Sailing on the Potomac
3. Venturing Out Adventure Race
4. Venturing Through History Scavenger Hunt
5. Bike Trek
6. Geocaching
7. And more – you name it and we will do it.

Put this weekend on your calendar and plan to come **for the fun and adventure. Watch for developing details.**

What is new on the Scouting.org for Varsity?

The Varsity Program Resources for the 36 Varsity Activity programs are now online at <http://www.scouting.org> > Youth > Boy Scout > Resources (bottom of the page).

Varsity Fast Start has now been added to My Scouting E-Learning. Go take it and get credit.

The Varsity Leader Specific Training materials can now be found online at <http://www.scouting.org> > Volunteer. Look for the Varsity logo.

Venturing Featured on the History Channel with Larry, The Cable Guy. History Channel's "Only in America with Larry the Cable Guy" episode featuring Venturing and the 100th Anniversary of Scouting was aired on June 28 at 9 PM ET on the History Channel. Central Region Venturing Crew 2085 from HOAC is led Larry through the paces of being a Venturer. "I believe that America is the greatest country on the face of the Earth. Scouting, both the kids and adult volunteers, is part of what make us great. It is not as easy as I thought to be a Scout, particularly in the programs for older teenage boys and girls. Heck, I think it was easier filming the segments with the Marines and Navy then it was trying to keep up with these Venturers and their high adventure. These Scouts really Git-R-Dun!", said Larry the Cable Guy following December's filming. "It's a good thing they didn't invite me to campout with them tonight. I am whipped and really need a good night's sleep." Larry, The Cable Guy (Article from Old Dominion District Venturing Officer Association Newsletter)

Venturing is Online The Old Dominion Venturing Officers Association is now online via Face Book. You can find us by entering "Old Dominion District VOA" in the search box. The Council VOA is also online. Search for "National Capital Area Council



The 22nd Annual V3 (Venturing, Varsity, and Venture) Hike-o-ree will be held on, November 4-6, 2011, at the Northern Virginia 4-H Educational Center, Front Royal, VA. Registration will be limited to trail capacities of the fifteen trails. The Hike-o-ree is open to all Scout units including Venturing Crews, Sea Scout Ships, Varsity Teams, and Troops.

Units are encouraged to form trail crews, consisting of no more than twelve members, including at least two adults. Participation minimum age for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts is 13 years old as of January 1, 2010.

Trail crews will be assigned a hike based on their preferences indicated on the registration form. All hikes are approximately ten miles in length and range in difficulty from moderate (1500 foot change in elevation) to super strenuous (2600 foot change in elevation). Other Hike-o-ree activities include a Friday night opening campfire, a high adventure rally on Saturday night, and a service project on Sunday morning. Camping Friday and Saturday night at the 4-H Center is backpacking style using ONLY backpacking equipment. Please do not bring chuck boxes, coolers, Dutch ovens, propane tanks, camp lanterns, and lawn chairs!!! Bring ONLY what you can carry in your backpack. Crews will receive their t-shirts at the completion of the Hike-o-ree. Watch for reservation information to come out in late summer.

Venturing Officers' Association."

The Area 6 NER VOA is found by searching for "NER Area 6 Venturing!" There are many, many, many more appropriate sites on Face Book and the Internet that are used to share information with other Crews and Ships. If you Crew or Ship has a public site, let us know. We will gladly share it here so we can see what you are doing and maybe learn something that we can use in our own units. There are even some very good Yahoo Groups that cover Venturing and "Corps of Discovery." (Article from Old Dominion District Venturing Officer Association Newsletter)

Adair Petty
Venturing Vice Chairman
Old Dominion District





POPCORN 2011

JOIN US ON THE DRIVE TO FIVE!

First Order Is In. The first popcorn orders were submitted August 5th, and will be delivered August 20th. NCAC's sales goal is \$5 Million and we want ALL UNITS to help us meet that goal!

Need Funds? With sales options of door-to-door, show & sell, and online there is a way for every scout to participate. Packs, Troops, and Crews can sell and earn money to pay for equipment, camps, high adventure, or other needs.

District Sales Team. If your Troop/Crew does not plan to have a unit popcorn chair your Scouts can still earn money by joining the District Sales Team. Contact Karin at the address below for more information or to sign up.

Have questions or need to get on the e-mail list? Send a message with name and contact information to Karin Linehan at ODDpopcorn@yahoo.com. Get updated training and sales information online at www.boyscouts-ncac.org. Click on Support Scouting, then 2011 Popcorn Sale (right side of the screen).

Training Required for Maximum Profit. Training is ongoing at a variety of locations and is one of the requirements to get the maximum profit. Register for one of the following or a different location at the NCAC Popcorn

website (see above). Click on 2011 Popcorn Dates & Locations. ODD training is scheduled for Aug 23 – Sydenstricker United Methodist Church, 8508 Hooes Rd, Springfield, VA.

2011 Important Sale Dates:

- Aug 20 — Early order pick-up (no chocolate) Robinson Terminal, 7201 Wimsatt Rd, Springfield *
- Sep 9 — Popcorn Order Due – Case orders only
- Sep 24 — Popcorn Pickup Robinson Terminal, 7201 Wimsatt Rd, Springfield *
- Oct 2 — Mid-Sale Order Due - Case orders only (Date was changed from Oct 7)
- Oct 15 — Mid-Sale Popcorn Pickup Robinson Terminal, 7201 Wimsatt Rd, Springfield *
- Nov 16 (Wednesday) — Final Popcorn Order (cases and individual containers) & Prize Orders Due
- Dec 3 — Popcorn Pickup # 2 Robinson Terminal, 7201 Wimsatt Rd, Springfield *
- Dec 19 — Final payment and any outstanding prize orders due

* orders over \$10,000 will be delivered to the location of your choice.