



The Old Rag

Old Dominion Pride ...
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The Old Dominion District

WEB Edition

September 9, 2010

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<i>Cub Scout, Boy Scout, and V3 Roundtables are 8:00 PM at Thomas Jefferson High School.</i>	
<i>District Committee and Commissioner Meetings are 7:30 PM at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 5800 Backlick Road.</i>	



FALL CAMPOREE and WEBELOS-REE

Old Dominion County Fair Down on the Farm!

Bring your Troop, Team or Crew "Down to the Farm" for a good old fashion County Fair. Come compete in county fair events, win ribbons and have a lot of fun. The County Fair will include many contests of skill such as pie eating, pie baking, corn eating, calf roping, greased pig catching, pumpkin chucking, hay bale stacking, milking, Jack-o-Lantern carving, hay wagon pulling, and Iron Chef cooking.

There will also be ribbons awarded to Scouts who bring their collections, personally built models, art work or photographs for display. Just like a real county fair! We will play county fair games of skill like corn cob darts and ring the bottle.

You will also get to navigate the biggest corn maize in Northern Virginia. Don't get lost! The Temple Hall Farm Park Corn Maize design is a giant scout emblem with other scout symbols commemorating the 100 years of the Boy Scouts of America. Also, take part in other park activities such as the Billy Goat Bounce and Duck Races.

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COMMISSIONERS' CORNER



Commissioner Staff Report

Commissioner staffing needs are going to be important in the coming year. We are going to need a new Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner and V3 Roundtable Commissioner. There are a number of units

being served by ADCs that should have their own UC. Plus new units that will be stood up soon and will need commissioners.

I strongly encourage all to inventory your unit adult leadership and identify experienced leaders that are being underused in their current capacities. These are prime candidates for commissioner recruits.

Commissioner Meeting Attendance: Thank you to all who supported our commissioner staff meetings with your attendance and contributions. Thanks especially to Nam Chi, Bryon Ing, Vickie Trumbetic and Bill Wilson with 90% meeting attendance and to Bill Nelson, Steve Richardson, and Jim Stewart for 80% attendance.

Unit Health Assessment/Centennial Quality Unit

A number of semi-annual Unit Health Assessments still must be completed and turned in to Don Palomaki. You should also be checking mid-year progress on Centennial Quality Unit goal achievement. Those units that are still needed:

- Packs: 88, 678, 683, 685, 855, 868, 881, 995, 1146, 1147, 1229, 1511, and 1538
- Troops: 856, 859, 881, 894, 990, 995, 1318, 1518, 2215

Support to District Committee

Support to Membership Committee: Membership/recruiting will be the tough goal to make this year for Quality District purposes. There are a number of things we can do as Commissioners to help the District Membership Committee:

1. **BeAScout.org** - a new initiative by National BSA that will only work if our units have their "pins" updated with current information. See recent emails on this topic.
2. **General Recruiting efforts** – does every unit have a recruiting/JSN coordinator? Does that individual have a plan for recruiting this Fall? Do they have the resources and ideas they need? This is a classic commissioner support function.

Support to Program Committee: Fall Camporee: October 8-10. Theme will be Farm/Agriculture oriented. Please put this on your calendars. I would like this Camporee to be heavily supported by the district commissioner staff – mainly Friday night to get units checked in, oriented, setup and ready to go for a great camporee. A goal would be for each unit to be assigned to a commissioner for at least the first few hours to get them off on the right foot. Can I get a volunteer to be Camporee Commissioner (someone other than me?).

Support to Marketing Committee – thanks to Nam Chi who has volunteered to be the next District Vice Chair for Marketing. One of his first acts was to set up a District Facebook site which those of you young at heart should check out.

Cultural Diversity/Sensitivity

There have been several incidents of cultural insensitivity throughout the council over the past several months, one involving an Old Dominion unit. There will likely be some level of sensitivity orientation /awareness training provided via the council, but in the meantime, please encourage this type of training for youth and adults at the unit level.

Commissioner Training

See John Pastino's recent email on commissioner basic training and ADC training opportunities for new and rising commissioners. (Also summarized in the Training section, page 10)

Miscellaneous

Membership Cards – I have everyone's commissioner registration cards. If you didn't receive yours yet, see me at upcoming meetings.

Unit Visit Basics

- How often are unit visits supposed to be made? A minimum of once per month (12 times per year).
- What are some different types of visits? Unit meetings, committee meetings, unit activities, discussion/conversation with unit leaders, telephone conversations,
- Objectives? Unit health assessment, provided resources, answer questions, all commissioner support functions.
- Unit Visit Tracking System (UVTS). The system is back on line and modified in accordance with pilot

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CHAIRMAN'S NOTES



September is here, fall is near, and the kids are back to school. A new scout year begins! I love recruiting season! Sharing all the benefits of scouting with someone new. Getting new members into a unit or starting a new one. New scouts are what we are all looking for this time of year. They are the lifeblood of our program.

I spent three hours outside of my boys' school last week. My purpose was to recruit members for a new co-ed venturing crew that I want to see started at South County Secondary School (SCSS). I had great success. Nothing energizes me like talking to students and parents who want to be involved in our program, but didn't know we existed. The senior girl who loves rock climbing, the mom who wants her daughter in scouting but girl scouting didn't fit, the sophomore who dropped out of cub scouts whose mom has always wished he would go back to it... all kinds of folks are out there who want our program.

I encourage all units to take the time to advertize your "Join Scouting Night" aggressively. Use the posters and all the materials that you can get for free from roundtable. Most importantly make yourself available to tell the story. That's why I went up to SCSS. There is no greater recruiting tool than a live person in uniform, inviting young people to join scouting. I have three more recruiting appearances planned before our informational meeting in early October.

Another September event is nearly upon us. The 18th is Old Dominion District/NRA Day at the Fairfax Rod and Gun Club in Manassas. Our District Executive, Bart Jarnigan, has been working really hard on this fun event for cubs and boy scouts. I'm bringing my son who needs to finish his shotgun shooting merit badge. See the detailed article in this issue for more information. Online registration is available at: <http://www.doubleknot.com/Registration/CalendarDetail.asp?orgkey=2017&activitykey=851867>

The ODD Program team is busy this month too. John Rephlo, Adair Petty, Bill Wilson and staff are preparing a fun filled Camporee and Webelos-o-ree October 8-10 at Temple Hall Farm in Leesburg. Make sure you read all the information and get your boy scout and webelos scouts registered. Traditionally over 400 scouts and scouters attend. This year should be no different. Hopefully they will all return and not get lost in the giant corn maze!

Wishing you all a fabulous Fall with lots of new recruits!!

YIS,
Holly Brown
Brown.hollyh@verizon.net

Check us out on Facebook: NCAC Old Dominion District

CUB SCOUT ROUNDTABLE

In the spotlight



It's Cub Scouts 2010 and the fun continues here September 9th, 8 PM, at Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology.

For the month of September our Cub Round Table moves on to our next core value of Responsibility in conjunction with Fire Prevention Month (October). What better way to talk about responsibility. In our splits at Round Table we will have sessions on Managing Boy Behavior, Webelos to Scout Transition, Pack Meeting Arrangements, and Adult Support of Pack Meetings.

As we roll into our new year we will continue to provide the tangible support items and assistance for all the Cub Scout leaders we can through your Old Dominion Round Table so bring those new leaders and active parents along as the staff looks forward to meeting everyone.

Bill Wilson,
Cub Roundtable Commissioner

FALL CAMPOREE/WEBELOS-REE

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If you choose you may also have an opportunity to earn a Merit Badge.

Start getting together your collection, models, photographs or art to enter in the county fair judging. Practicing baking your favorite pie. Contests might be entered by patrol, team, crew or individual. Come win County Fair blue, red and yellow ribbons. See you "Down on the Farm!" The 2010 ODD Fall Camporee will be held at Temple Hall Farm Regional Park, north of Leesburg, VA.

For more information see the Camporee Program Guide in the Forms Section of the District web page. Check back weekly for important updates!

Fall 2010 Webelos-ree: The Webelos-ree will be held in conjunction with the ODD Fall Camporee. Cubs will be able to take part in many fun activities available at the Temple Hall Farm Regional Park Corn Maize and Fall Festival. They will be able to participate in a specially designed Webelos program with a "County Fair" theme. Scouts Troops will be available to host Webelos that want to learn more about their programs. For more information see the Webelos-ree Program Guide in the Forms Section of the District web page. Check back weekly for important updates. See page 4 for more Webelos-ree info.

MEMBERSHIP NOTES

It's JSN Time!

Our kids are back in school. You should have already arranged for your units' presence during Back to School Nights and as well as scheduled your Join Scouting Nights. We have a new recruiting tool—BeAScout.org. This is our recruiting prime time—please read on to see how we can help your unit have recruiting success.

BeAScout.org is up and running—update your unit's information by September 15!

This new search engine for families seeking BSA packs, troops, crews or ships is a great improvement over its predecessor to connect prospective Scouts with Old Dominion units. The system went "live" on July 23rd and is displaying all ODD units. However, a number of ODD units have yet to include their own information on the system. All unit leaders have to do is go to myscouting.org and choose the BeAScout update option—and if you need help, just send Dan a note at cubmaster678@verizon.net. Units that have not updated their information by Sept. 15th will have their unit information placed in inactive status!

We Need your Unit JSN Coordinator Info—So You Can Get your Stuff

We need all ODD units to provide us your JSN Coordinator as well as your targeted schools ASAP. Please send the info to barton.jarnagin@scouting.org and cubmaster678@verizon.net.

We have additional recruiting material available for ALL of our units that have identified their JSN coordinators and targeted schools. This includes printed fliers for distribution at your schools.

Webelos-to-Scout (WTS)—It's Training Time

Don't forget, we'll be holding Webelos-to-Scout training before the September Roundtable (Sept. 9th)!

Hey Webelos II den leaders—you're in the final stretch! Just remember, this program year is not a full year—the target should be bridging the boys around Blue & Gold time, normally February or March. That means NOW is the time to assess what activity badges and requirements remain for Arrow of Light!

And Scoutmasters—why don't you work with your PLCs to designate a couple meetings this fall for Webelos visit Open Houses? You'll score big points with local Cub Scout packs AND get out in front for prospective new Boy Scouts. →

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.

FALL 2010 WEBELOS-REE

As we pull together the events and activities to present another great ODD Webelos-ree on October 9th and 10th in Leesburg, VA, at the Temple Hall Farm Regional Park. Let me share just a few of the highlights we have in store for your scouts.

In addition to the BSA 2010 corn maze and all the fun activities and animal experiences provided by the farm we will be bringing a taste of what a young mans life might have been like in the early 1900's when America was primarily agricultural rather than technology based. Self reliance and imagination were key to prosperity at that time for boys and we will have a lot of hands on events to help build teamwork and test their fundamental scouting skills. Outdoorsman, Naturalist and Forestry activities pins will be incorporated as well as some pure fun events like rope making, sack races and because October is Fire Prevention Month, a fire brigade bucket race. We hope to have both BB's and Archery this year as well as the return of the monkey bridge from last year. So, lots of fun, hands on scouting skills to keep everyone busy all day.

As with last year we invite all Webelos to come, spend the day, participate and visit a prospective Boy Scout Troop as part of their Arrow of Light and Scout Transition program and we encourage the Webelos 2 units to camp overnight on Saturday before departure on Sunday.

Need Help? Call the Membership Team

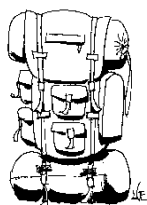
The membership team is standing by to assist your unit in recruiting new Scouts and families into our units:

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
WTS Coordinator	John Ruby
	ruby.john@verizon.net
New Unit Coordinator	HELP WANTED

GEAR UP FOR LEADERSHIP AT ROUNDTABLE

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

Every 2nd Thursday except July.



SCOUTING FOR FOOD

November 6th and 13th

If we can conquer space, we can conquer childhood hunger. -- Buzz Aldrin

The Scouting for Food (SFF) campaign is the single largest “Good Turn” project that the National Capital Area Council conducts annually aimed at addressing the problem of hunger in our local community. This year, over 217,000 people (about 13 percent) are at risk of hunger in Northern Virginia, including one out of every six children. Last year our district teamed up to provide over 18 tons of donations to food banks in Annandale, Springfield, and Lorton. Do you think we can improve upon last year?

This year’s food drive is scheduled for the first two weeks of November, with bag drop-off on November 6th and bag pickup on November 13th.

Unit leaders, please ensure you have a representative to register for an area assignment (Bag Drop-Off and/or Bag Pick-up) at the September 9th Old Dominion District Roundtable. Plastic collection bags will be distributed to units in October. With the continued economic downturn, our surrounding communities stand in great need. We need every Pack/Troop/Team/Crew/Ship to go the extra mile. The 2010 Old Dominion Scouting for Food coordinator is: Jason Evenson, [redacted].

- **November 6**—Scouting-For-Food bag drop-off
- **November 13**—Scouting-For-Food bag pick-up (donated food collection at ACCA, ECHO and LCAC community food-banks)

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.)

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**

MISSING THE CAMPOREE?



Do you have Scouts that cannot attend the Fall Camporee. Then maybe they can participate in the *BSA Art Merit Badge in Two Parts*: October 9-10 Lorton & Springfield. Additional details are available at:

<http://bfbutler.blogspot.com/2010/08/bsa-art-merit-badge-in-two-parts.html>

TRAINED LEADER REQUIREMENTS

NCAC is one of the Councils that is testing a training requirement program that may impact charter renewal at the end of this year. The current policy is summarized below and provided to clarify the situation with respect to Charter Renewal this coming November/December.

REQUIRED TRAINING PILOT PROGRAM:

NCAC uses three sets of terms: Top Unit Leaders, Direct Contact Leaders and Other Scouters.

- *Top Unit Leaders* include Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Varsity Team Coaches, Venturing Advisors, and Sea Scout Skippers .
- *Direct Contact Leaders* include Assistant Cubmasters, all Den Leaders, Assistant Den Leaders, Assistant Scoutmasters, Assistant Venturing Crew Advisors, Assistant Varsity Team Coaches, and Sea Scout Mates.
- *Other Scouters* include all other registered Scouters.
- The Required Training (Dec 9, 2009) charter, approved by the NCAC Executive Board, remains in effect. In its essentials, all Old Dominion District *Top Unit Leaders* must be fully trained by December 31, 2010, meaning leaders earn their "Trained" patch within one year of initial registration in their Top Unit Leader position or no later than December 31, 2010, whichever ever comes later.
- All *Direct Contact Leaders* are to be fully trained by December 31, 2011, or within a year of initial registration in that position, whichever ever comes later.
- All *Other Scouters* are strongly encouraged to be fully trained for their respective position(s) – Chartered Organization Representative, District Committee member, Merit Badge Counselor, etc. - so they can provide our Scouts with the best possible program and environment.
- While it would be ideal to have 100% of Scouters 100% trained, NCAC understands this is a near impossibility. However, 100% of Scouters 100% trained should still be the goal to strive for in the minimum amount of time as "all Scouts deserve a trained leader." What unit leader wouldn't love to have all of his/her unit Scouters 100% trained? Imagine the program those Scouts would enjoy!
- This does NOT change the requirement for Youth Protection Training. All Leaders and Scouters must be current (i.e., completed within the past two years) with respect to Youth Protection Training at time of registration and charter renewal.

If you have questions, please contact your Unit Commissioner.

A HISTORY OF THE PHILMONT STAFF ASSOCIATION

In the 1840s, Alexis de Tocqueville wrote that the unique genius of Americans is their ability to form themselves into associations – associations that allow people to aggregate their resources and their talents for a common good.

The Philmont Staff Association is one such group. Formed in the 1970s, the PSA's mission is to unite "the Philmont staff – past and present – for the purpose of serving the adventure, heritage and experience of Philmont Scout Ranch and the Boy Scouts of America." Here in print for the first time is the story of the Philmont Staff Association, from its founding and early struggles to its recent successes.

A "confluence" – while it is certainly a place, and a very special place where the Rayado and Agua Fria creeks come together – it is also more than just a place. It is a coming together of many kinds. "Born At The Confluence" is the story of how people can come together to have significance and impact, but it is also – in microcosm – a glimpse into what makes Philmont, the Boy Scouts, and America itself great.

Ken Davis, a long-time Scouter and lover of Philmont, has a Ph.D. in American history from the University of Virginia. After active duty service in the U.S. Army, including a tour of duty in Vietnam, he continued his Army career as a reservist, rising to the rank of colonel before retiring in 1999. He also had a 30-year career as a civil servant, working for the National Archives and other government agencies. Davis has also written "The Brotherhood of Cheerful Service: The History of the Order of the Arrow" and "A History of Woodbadge in the United States."

COMMISSIONERS' CORNER (cont.)

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test comments. It can be accessed via MyScouting. See separate email with instructions/guidance.

- Generally – the system is there to allow logging of all unit visits. Administrative ADCs can view all visits to all units under their cognizance. Reports and tracking functions are available.

Yours in Commissioner Service,
Scott Staron
District Commissioner
scottstaron@msn.com

BSA Must Read: Important Changes Regarding BSA Youth Protection Training Policies

Youth safety is the No. 1 concern of the BSA.

To increase awareness of this societal problem and to create even greater barriers to abuse than already exist today in Scouting, the Boy Scouts of America is implementing several important changes to further enhance its Youth Protection policies:

Effective June 1, 2010:

- Youth Protection Training is required for all registered volunteers. **This includes Merit Badge Counselors.**
- New volunteers are required to take Youth Protection Training before they submit their application for registration. The certificate of completion for this training must be submitted at the time application is made and before volunteer service with youth begins.
- Youth Protection Training must be taken every two years. If a volunteer's Youth Protection Training record is not current at the time of charter renewal, the volunteer will not be reregistered.

Youth Protection Training is available online at <http://www.scouting.org/Training/YouthProtection.aspx>

New volunteers can go online and register to get a MyScouting account WITHOUT an ID number. They take the training and use the online features to print out a certificate. The printed certificate is submitted with the adult application form. Once the newly registered volunteers get their ID number, they should then log back on to their MyScouting account and enter the ID number. The national system will then pick up the training for future reporting.

To find out more about the Youth Protection policies of the Boy Scouts of America and how to help Scouting keep your family safe, see the information available in any of the Cub Scouting or Boy Scouting handbooks, or go to <http://www.scouting.org/Training/YouthProtection.aspx>

See your unit commissioner if you have any questions.

A FAQ on the new Youth Protection Training policies may be found starting on page 12 of this issue.



IT WILL BE A BAD DAY TO BE CLAY

Scouts and Scouters, mark your calendars for September 18, 2010! The Old Dominion District will be holding its Inaugural Clay Shoot / NRA Day at the Fairfax Rod and Gun Club. See the flyer on page 12 for more details.



From the Pack 1511/1535/1538 Tri-Pack Raingutter Regatta. The grand prize for all the participants was a Raingutter Ice Cream sundae.

THE TRAINING PAGES



The training pages are up and running on the Council website. If you need to find a training session other than those in our District listed below 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.

One of the goals for Centennial Quality Unit is that all leaders having direct contact with youth be trained. These leaders include not only unit leaders like Scoutmasters, Cubmasters, and Den Leaders, but also their assistants in those positions. It's hard to tell how well we are doing in meeting those goals as each unit sets its own goals under the CQU program. Now is a good time to review your CQU training goals, the trained status of these key leaders and get them to training in time to meet the goals you set for yourselves. (See page 6 for more information.)

Units can email me with the names and training information at any time. I can then forward that information on to Council where we have training leaders who are inputting the information so that re-chartering happens in a smooth transition.

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. Re-certification is mandatory at least once every two years. Sessions can 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 jpresent@verizon.net.

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) is found by going to the NCAC web site and looking under the training tab. Note that there is a different class for Venturing leaders, also available on-line, which addresses special considerations for older age youth, and coed units.

SIGN UP FOR ON-LINE TRAINING

BSA on-line training is available at the BSA Online training Center at: <http://www.ole.scouting.org>. Click on the course you want to take and you will be connected to the log-in page where you can log-in to take the course the course, or set up an on line training account.

Setting-up an on-line training account in you name is a one-time process and requires your BSA registration number, found on your registration card.

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.ole.scouting.org>.

Troop Committee Challenge On-line

Troop Committee Challenge is also available online and provides training for the Troop Committee Chairman and Committee Members. We will continue to offer this class in a classroom setting as long as there is demand for it. While the online 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 other in the class in the same position. The link to the online class is <http://www.ole.scouting.org>. Contact Fred Woody at: sixpacknsam@yahoo.com if you would like to set up a classroom session for your Troop.

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 Leader Position Specific Training September 18

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.olg.scouting.org.

The training for this session is at Chain Bridge District, will start at 10:30am at Andrew Chapel UMC in Vienna and run about 2-1/2 hours. Additionally, non-required training on the new Cub Scout Delivery Method will run from 9:30 – 10:30. Cost for the class is \$5.00. For more information and to pre-register go to: <http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/registration/calendar/detail.asp?ActivityKey=838715>.

Outdoor Leader Skills Monday, September 20 and Friday and Saturday, Sep 24-25

This training session is an adult campout covering basic scouting skills. The program will be conducted at Springfield United Methodist Church and Camp Highroads. Cost is the cost of food. This is the third required training session for the trained strip for SM and ASMs. 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.

Boy Scout Leaders – this is a great course for those new parents to attend. There is no prerequisite courses they have to take before taking this course.

This training session, the last of three required to be a “Trained” as a Scoutmaster or an Assistant Scoutmaster, covers basic scouting skills in an adult campout setting. It is most appropriate for Boy Scout, Varsity, and Venturing leaders who want a grounding in outdoor skills. 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. NLE and Leader Specific Training sessions are a highly desirable but not required. The course runs Monday evening and then a Friday evening through Saturday evening

You must pre-register to reserve a slot for either course by filling out the form at:

<https://spreadsheets.google.com/viewform?formkey=dGRha3p1QjBMVTZhbNjSOUNZbVNENkE6MA>

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: wokeck.boy_scouts@cox.net

Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) October 2, November 20

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.

This one day course runs from 9:00 to 5:00 and is sponsored by the five Northern Virginia districts in the Virginia Central Service Area. The cost and location for the October course have not been determined but will be provided via the ODD mailing list when available. The November course will be held in conjunction with Pow Wow. For more information check the website www.boyscouts-ncac.org under the training page.

Scoutmaster Specific Training September 11

Join us for a day of learning and sharing - focusing on the tasks that SM and ASM's deal with routinely. This is the second of four required training sessions for the Trained strip for SM or ASMs (the other sessions being *New Leaders Essential* or *This is Scouting, Outdoor Leader Skills* and *Youth Protection Training*). Come join us and help your troop and SM by becoming trained.

- Time – 8AM to 4:30PM (doors open at 7:30)
- Training location – Springfield United Methodist Church, 7047 Old Keene Mill Rd, Springfield VA 22150
- Prerequisite is the previous *New Leaders Essentials* course, or the current *This is Scouting*.
- Cost – FREE
- Pre-registration required, see the link under Outdoor Leader Skills.

New trainers always welcome - if you're already trained but would like to share and continue learning - please consider helping the District SM Training Team. We would love to have your assistance in training other scout leaders. Call Kurt Langenwalter 703-690-4238.

Venturing Leader & Varsity Coach Training October 9

For more information about the course and to pre-register, call or email Adair Petty, Course Director, 703-913-1124 or pettya@hqda.army.mil

Den Chief Training Conference October 16

Den Chief Training will be held at on Saturday, October 16, 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM, at the Scotts Run LDS Church in McLean (1325 Scotts Run Road). This training is for Den Chiefs, who are older Boy Scout assistants to Cub Scout or Webelos Scout dens, and for adult Cub Scout leaders who use Den Chiefs in their den or pack programs. The course instructs scouts on the Den Chief Leadership position and the necessary skills to lead and befriend Cub and Webelos Scouts. The course provides instruction through fun, learning skills, and activities to help Den Chiefs understand their role in the weekly den and monthly pack meetings. It is recommended that a Boy Scout serve at least one year in his troop before taking on a Den Chief position.

Cost of the training is \$20 per Scout and \$15 per Adult, and includes Den Chief Handbook, training materials, Trained patch, and lunch.

Pre-registration is required – walk-ons not accepted. For more information or to register contact Course Director Roger Claff, [redacted], e-mail: [redacted].

Wood Badge Training Sep 10-12 and Oct 9-11

Wood Badge for the 21st Century is designed for all Cub, Scout, and Varsity and Venturing leaders who have completed basic training. It is a leadership skills course, based on a format originally created by Scouting's Founder, Lord Robert Baden Powell and is considered the "Ph.D." of Scout training. The course is held over three days over two weekends about a month apart. Participants are required to attend each weekend in its entirety, including all day on Friday (arriving by 8:00 AM). Note the new Sunday friendly course.

The course will deal with cutting edge leadership and management skills while using a structure built on Scouting's organization and unit program. More information and registration info can be obtained from the council website (www.boyscouts-ncac.org). Click on "Training" and then "Wood Badge" to get the data and forms to download.

FLASH: Cub Scout Leader Position-Specific Training is now available on line at www.myscouting.org. Log-in and click the E-Learning link on the left side of the page. Select the Cub Scout tab.

Pow Wow November 20

Pow Wow will be the premier Cub Scout Leader training event of the season. Sponsored by the five Virginia Central Service Area districts, this all-day 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 expected to be about \$25.00 which will include lunch and course materials. The location is TBD. Reserve this date on your calendar now and look for further details in the weeks ahead.

Commissioner Training

ADC Training, hosted by Montgomery County District, will be offered on October 9th in Kensington, MD. ADC Training is offered only twice a year, in the fall in Maryland, and in the spring in Virginia. Recently appointed ADCs or others who have not taken this class are encouraged to attend.

The National standard for commissioner training is that all commissioners complete Commissioner Basic Training (CBT) within 60 days of appointment. The MD North class date has moved from the previously announced September 11th date to September 25th.

- September 25 - MD North (Gaithersburg, MD)
- September 25 - VA Central (Alexandria, VA)
- October 2 - MD South-DC-PG (Temple Hills, MD)
- October 16 - VA South (Stafford VA)

Prerequisites are Youth Protection Training, This is Scouting, and Commissioner Fast Start, all available online at www.MyScouting.org. Upon completion of the training students will presented with the Trained patch and be eligible to start working on the Commissioners Arrowhead Honor award. If possible, students should get a copy of the Commissioner Fieldbook for Unit Service and review it and bring it to class. Copies will also be on sale at the classes. The current revision, published in 2010 is carried under a new number - #34751. Previous versions should be replaced.

Also, **ODD has the CBT training responsibility for November 20th** and I'm looking for volunteers.

John Pastino
Commissioner Training Coordinator
[redacted]

OLD DOMINION DISTRICT NRA DAY



★ SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2010 ★
FAIRFAX ROD AND GUN CLUB

7039 Signal Hill Road, Manassas, VA 20111
9:00 am – 2:00 pm

FIRST 200 REGISTERED SCOUTS RECEIVE A FREE NRA DAY T-SHIRT AND HAT!

Got a Partial on Shotgun or Rifle Shooting Merit Badges?

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Shooting Sports:

BB Shooting: \$2 – 25 Shots
.22 Shooting: \$5 – 25 Shots
Trap Shooting: \$15 – 10 Rounds
Skeet Shooting: \$15 – 10 Rounds
5 Stand: \$20 – 25 Shots

Competition:

Parent/Youth .22 Shoot Off: \$10 -
10 Shots for Parent/10 Shots for Youth

Educational Opportunities:

Trained NRA Instructors will help you learn how to shoot both rifle and shotguns. Learn how to shoot the popular games of Skeet and Trap.

Classes for Moms Only!

For the moms looking to learn more about shooting sports and gun safety, there will be a female only class offered by the NRA on gun safety and personal safety.

Parent/Youth .22 Shoot Off

Best combined score of parent and youth will win trophies!
There will be a "Top Shot" award trophy for the best youth competitors in Trap, Skeet, and 5 Stand!

Cost of Event:

Entrance fee: \$5 - Gets you in the door.
Total Package: \$15 - Gets you in with a Hot Dog, a T-Shirt and a Hat!

For Registration and/or More Information Please Contact:

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★ **Firearms and ammunition will be provided. NO PERSONAL FIREARMS WILL BE PERMITTED AT THE EVENT!** ★

BSA YOUTH PROTECTION FAQ

[The following FAQ was provided by the NCAC Program staff for distribution to Scouters in the NCAC. Also see the related YPT story in page 7]

The following are answers to some of the questions BSA has received about the important changes to the Youth Protection policies. To read more, visit <http://www.scouting.org/youthprotection>.

When does the change go into effect? - As of June 1, 2010, all registered adult volunteers--no matter what their position entails--must have complete Youth Protection training prior to beginning their volunteer service.

Why a new training policy on such short notice? - Youth safety is the No. 1 concern of the Boy Scouts of America. It is important to implement this training at all levels of the organization. The BSA is always reevaluating and reassessing its policies to ensure the safest youth program and the best training are offered. The BSA's Youth Protection training has been in existence long enough for it to be understood and accepted as a mandated training for all registered BSA adult volunteers.

What is the deadline to meet the new Youth Protection training standard? - All registered leaders should take or renew their Youth Protection training so that it is current as of today. A unit will not be able to recharter without its key registered adults being up-to-date on their Youth Protection training. No individual leader will be able to register without being up-to-date on his or her Youth Protection training.

Is there a grace period to get all adults trained? - No. If a leader's Youth Protection training is not current, the volunteer must take or renew this training immediately. Every effort should be taken so that all adults involved in Scouting have a current certificate of completion of the Youth Protection training.

Will the system be able to handle the overload of people taking training at the last minute? - The system platform that houses e-learning is expected to be able to handle the high volume.

Does "all volunteers" mean all volunteers -- even board members and council presidents? - Yes. The goal is to have all registered volunteers Youth Protection-trained. This is an important statement for the Boy Scouts of America as a youth organization and reinforces the BSA's commitment to the well-being of all youth members and volunteers.

I am sure I know all there is to know about youth protection. Can I "test out" by only taking the Youth Protection online quiz? - No. You must complete the entire online training in order for your Youth Protection

certificate to be valid. This ensures you receive the latest information on BSA Youth Protection. *Important: Please note that the quiz has been removed from the e-Learning Center because the content did not reflect the new changes in Youth Protection policy.*

Does the executive officer (institutional head) of a unit need to take Youth Protection training? - If the executive officer is not a registered leader, he or she is not required to complete Youth Protection training, although it is strongly recommended. If the executive officer is a registered member of the BSA, then he or she must complete Youth Protection training.

I am a Tiger Cub adult partner and ScoutParent. Do I need to take Youth Protection training? - The Tiger Cub adult partner and ScoutParent designations are not registered adult positions; therefore, mandatory Youth Protection training is not required. It is strongly recommended, however, that all adults involved in Scouting take Youth Protection training. All registered adults are required to take Youth Protection training.

I am an Explorer post Advisor. Does this new policy apply to me? - Yes. All registered adults are required to take Youth Protection training.

The new policy indicates that a Youth Protection certificate of completion must be submitted "at the time of application." What does that mean? - A BSA application should be collected from a prospective leader only with the fully completed form, with a copy of the individual's Youth Protection certificate of completion. Both documents should be submitted together to the council service center.

Do leaders need to wait until they have final clearance on the background check to meet with youth? - No. As long as their application is fully completed, submitted to the council service center, and approved, their fee is paid, and their Youth Protection training has been received by and acknowledged by the council, they will be able to interact with youth members while the criminal background check (CBC) is still pending.

Do merit badge counselors need to take Youth Protection training? - Yes. A merit badge counselor is a registered volunteer position.

Can units that have some adult leaders who have not completed Youth Protection training be rechartered? - In order for a unit to be rechartered, it must have all the required positions filled with Youth Protection-trained adults. Adults who do not have current (within the past two years) Youth Protection training will not be re-registered.

Will the new adult applications have this informa-

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tion? - Yes. All new applications will reflect these changes.

Can a council or district organize Youth Protection group training for its adults? Yes. It is encouraged that adults take the training via the online module, but the instructor-led model is still acceptable as long as the most current version of the Youth Protection DVD (item No.610327 or 36121) is used and the end-of-course quiz is proctored by the trainer at the end of the training session. Reminder: It is critical that training completion certificates be issued after successful completion and that a formal training record roster be submitted to the council registrar so proper credit can be recorded in the profiles of each participant.

Will both the regular and Venturing leader versions of Youth Protection training meet the requirement? - Yes, as long as the most current versions of the DVDs are used for group training. The online version is the preferred method, as it allows for those taking the training to get one-on-one training and take all the time they need for review. The individual is issued an immediate certificate of completion, which allows for the updating of the volunteer's ScoutNet record.

If a person is not a registered leader, how can he or she log in and take the Youth Protection training? - A person does not have to be a registered volunteer to take Youth Protection training. To take the training, log in to <http://www.myscouting.org> and click on create an account. After you have confirmed your new myscouting account user name and password, log in to myscouting.org and click on e-training to begin the Youth Protection training. Upon completion, print a certificate to submit with a completed adult leader application to the unit leader or your local council representative for processing. Remember to keep a copy for your records.

Once the application is approved, the new leader will receive his or her membership card with their member ID. It is important that new members log back in to <http://www.myscouting.org> and update their profile with this member ID to receive credit for completing this and any other training.

Providing you with clear and helpful information is a priority. If you have additional questions, please contact your council or please let us know by sending your questions to youthprotection@scouting.org. We will review all inquires and post updates to <http://www.scouting.org/youthprotection>.

OA UPDATE

Upcoming Events

Fall Ordeal – Camp Moss Hollow – October 15-17:

The Old Dominion Chapter of the Order of the Arrow will hold its Fall Ordeal on the weekend of October 15-17 at Camp Moss Hollow. Come out and fulfill your ordeal while providing cheerful service Camp Moss Hollow and the inner city youth that use the camp. Arrowmen are also welcome to come out and participate in the ordeal and learn to stain the sides of cabins.

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 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.

National Leadership Seminar (NLS) (September 10 – 12 – Alpine Scout Camp, Alpine, New Jersey): Strongly recommended training for all new Chapter youth leadership and Arrowmen that want to take an active role in both current and future order leadership, the NLS is a weekend conference on the skills and attributes of leadership. NLS is intended primarily to enhance the leadership skills of the OA's key youth and adult members. The seminar is free for any youth member that the lodge sponsors to attend the seminar. Adults will need to pay the \$70.00 registration fee.

National Lodge Adviser Training Seminar (NLATS) (September 10 – 12 – Alpine Scout Camp, Alpine, New Jersey): The National Lodge Adviser Training Seminar (NLATS) is a weekend conference focusing on the skills and attributes of effective lodge advisers. It is intended primarily to enhance an adviser's knowledge of and connectivity with the OA's strategic plan, program and resources, while emphasizing personal skills that are essential to the development of effective youth leadership and ultimately the OA's service to the council. The NLATS is limited to 40 participants. For this seminar no more than two participants should register from any coun-

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KLONDIKE DERBY 4-6 FEBRUARY 2011

The 6th Annual Old Dominion District Klondike

So we've had record summer temperatures and it might seem a bit ODD to talk about Old Man Winter... But did you forget the record snowfalls we had last winter? For the record, we didn't cancel the Klondike because of snow, it was rescheduled – Smile. The Klondike Chairman is still getting ribbed about too much snow... But this year the Farmer's Almanac is predicting more snow this winter!! So now's the time to start planning!

The Klondike consists of patrol competitions that are aimed to build patrol unity, to challenge Scout skills, and most importantly to be fun. It requires individual knowledge, teamwork, and ingenuity. The main competition lasts all day Saturday with the overall goal to accrue as much gold as possible. Gold is mined in a variety of ways: accomplishing a variety of Scout skills, demonstrating Scout Spirit, and working closely as patrol. Socials are held both Friday and Saturday to strongly encourage Scouts (and Scouters) of different troops to intermingle.

The event provides a truly fun and “rewarding” time with lots of flexibility in the approach. The patrols get to choose the events they want to do and are rewarded for the choices they make. The Klondike is returning to the 4-H Center in Front Royal, VA. It's a great venue with hills, sports courts, trails, and shelters! The Klondike Derby is a District Event, but more importantly it is an option to your Scout program – and one which many troops return to because it delivers the fun and “outing” of the Scouting Program.

LAST YEAR'S WINNERS	
1st Place:	T-991 Stags
2nd Place:	T-1853 Pirates
3rd Place:	T-2535 Panthers
4th Place:	T-1115 Desperados

At the same time, troops can choose to either camp or stay in bunk rooms. Patrols need to cook the Saturday lunch for part of the competition! So the patrol/crew/troop is able to get the maximum out of this event in the way of basic Scout skills.

Estimated cost for this year is :

Scouts & Scouters in the Lodge:	\$70.00
Scouts & Scouters camping:	\$40.00

Includes:	Saturday Hot Breakfast Buffet
	Saturday Pizza & Salad Dinner
	Friday & Saturday Night Socials
	Bug Juice, Coffee & Hot Choc all Day
	And all Program Costs – patches, etc.

The Klondike Package should be available in October! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Fred Woody at 202-685-5727 (work), 703-628-4111 (cell) or fred.woody@navy.mil.

Special Incentive and Opportunity to put your Troop's or Crew's claim in the Klondike!

And this year we would again like to allow troops to contribute to the event if they want. Each year the director comes up with the program activities and coordinates the supplies. 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 Scout or Scouter registration.

Guidelines:

- The Station must be challenging, fun, and patrol oriented.
- 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 50 points.
- The Troop/Crew must provide one adult to work the station.
- The Station must be within the requirements of the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting.
- 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!



THINK SNOW

V3 VIEWS



Upcoming Events:

- 25 Sep, Sat – NCAC Venturing and Varsity Leader Specific Training (VLST)
- 9 Oct, Sat – Venturing After Dark
- 5-7 Nov, Fri-Sun – V3 Hike-o-ree (20th Annual), Front Royal 4H Education Center and Shenandoah National Forest
- 6 Nov, Sat – Fire Muster, National Fire Academy, Emmetsburg, MD
- 13 Nov, Sat – Scouting for Food, food bank stocking
- 12-14 Nov, Fri-Sun – Leadership Academy, National Fire Academy, Emmetsburg, MD

Advisors and Coaches must be Basic Trained for Unit Recharter. Four months left. Time is short. Venturing Advisors and Varsity Coaches must complete basic training for their Venturing Crew or Varsity Team to be rechartered in December. Five courses must be completed and recorded in Scout Net: This is Scouting, Youth Protection or Venturing Youth Protection, Fast Start, Leader Specific Training (Venturing or Varsity) VLST, and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills. This is Scouting, Youth Protection and Fast Start are available online on <http://www.scouting.org> > My Scouting > E-Learning. VLST must be taken in class and practicum. The next VLST will be September 25th. Check with Adair Petty for location and registration. Check district calendar for IOLS.

Complete your basic training. Do not be the cause of your Crew or Team no being able to recharter.

FALL CAMPOREE – OLD DOMINION COUNTY FAIR “Down on the Farm”. Venturing Crews and Varsity Teams – we need you to be judges for the Old Dominion County Fair Camporee and to come to the fair for the fun and corn maze. Contact Adair Petty to be a judge. If you can only come on Saturday, COME!

HIKE-O-REE. The 21st Annual V3 (Venturing, Varsity, and Venture) Hike-o-ree will be held on, November 5-7, 2010, 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. Girl Scout troops will be required to have at least one leader trained at the 200 level, a first aider with current CPR certification and a sufficient number of adults to meet the girl adult ratio requirements of Safety-Wise. Training at the 250 or 260 level would provide beneficial information for

this event, but is not mandatory. Girl Scout troops should submit a ‘Request for Council Approval’ form to Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital. BSA units should file tour permits with National Capital Area Council. BSA hikers are required to have a completed BSA Annual Health Form, Parts A, B, and C, and meet the weight requirements stated in part B.

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 to be backpacking style. Camping Friday and Saturday night at the 4-H Center is to be 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.

Registration information coming out shortly. Put it on your calendars. Plan on coming for the fun, challenge, and glory of the mountains!

New Venturing Uniform Shirt Just Released: Our new Venturing Uniform shirts are designed to tackle any adventure. The short sleeve shirts are made from durable nylon, blended with spandex for stretch. The fabric features X-System technology which uses the newest dual action nano silver particles to fight bacteria and odor. The eco-friendly, anti-microbial, and anti-odor shirt requires less washes; saving gallons of water each year. The fabric offers comfort and durability, complete moisture management, and protects from the sun's rays. The product is recommended by the Skin Cancer Foundation with a UPF 40+. Design includes a caped back with mesh lining for easy movement and breathability. Shirts dry quickly, pack small, and are ultra light weight. Get outside and explore in your new gear! Cost is about \$40. Check it out on <http://scoutstuff.org> They are available at the Scout Shop. You will need to add a button under the pocket flap to hang your Powder Horn or similar devices. The pockets have snaps and not buttons.

Adair Petty

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A First Class from Troop 150 in Annandale participating in a flag raising ceremony at Adventure Base 100 on the Mall.

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cil. The course is designed for one-time participation. Repeat participation is not encouraged. Adult participants will be required to pay the \$70 registration fee.

Key Upcoming Events:

- September 12: Chapter Meeting – Sydenstricker United Methodist Church
- September 10-12 NLS & NLATS
- September 21 Lodge Advisers & Officers
- October 8-10: Fall Camporee – Brotherhood Opportunity

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More information will be forthcoming shortly on registration.

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POPCORN 2010 is "BETTER THAN EVER!"

District Units ordered over \$37,000 of popcorn in the Early Order! Door-to-door, Online, and Show & Sell sales provide a way for EVERY SCOUT to SELL! This is an EASY, PROVEN way to earn \$\$\$\$. The NEW PACKAGING provides MORE POPCORN per container and a BETTER VALUE for your Customers! Better flavors, better packaging, and the return of Chocolate Caramel Crunch are sure to make your sales soar like magic!

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2010 Important Sale Dates

- Sep 25 - Popcorn Pickup # 1 - Robinson Terminal or \$10,000 + delivery (arrangements pending)
- Oct 8 - Mid-Sale Order Due - Case orders only
- Oct 23- Mid-Sale Popcorn Pickup
- Nov 17 - Final Popcorn Order & Prize Orders Due
- Dec 4 - Popcorn Pickup # 2 - Robinson Terminal or \$10,000 + delivery (arrangements pending)
- Dec 20 - Final Popcorn Payment .
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Questions? Contact Karin Linehan, ODD Popcorn Kernel, at linehank@verizon.net or 703-495-0133, or visit the NCAC Popcorn Website:

<http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/openrosters/ViewOrgPageLink.asp?LinkKey=16722&orgkey=1989>.

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