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2020 EAGLE SCOUTS



VIRGINIA HEADWATERS COUNCIL WOOD BADGE

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September 24-26, 2021 • October 16-17, 2021
Camp Shenandoah, Swoope, VA



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Will Anderson	John Deane	Seth Harding	McKean Knowlton	Camden Miller	John Shelton
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Owen Baker	Connor Dight	William Hawken	Vijay Krishnan	Walter Moak	Lewis Slater
Aaron Beckley	David Donnan	Samuel Haynes	Jackson Lassiter	Julian Moffett, III	Trevor Spiggle
Jonathan Bolander	Kyle Durrer	Nathan Hendershot	Kevin Lee	Allison Monfalcone	Kevin Squire
Conner Bridge	Alexander Elliott	Samuel Hough	Stephen Lilly	Ethan Moore	Patrick Stapleton
Colin Brunk	Ethan Fawcett	Kess Hutchinson	Nathan Lindgren	Harold Nagle, III	Luke Tao
Tanner Buzby	Jacob Feldman	Thomas Iudica	Donathan Linebrink	Jacob Paige	Jace Thompson
Clayton Cangelosi	Jonathan Fiornascente	Charles Ivins	John Lovan	John Pemberton	Nicholas Thornton
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Austin Chinn	William Gawtry	Liam Jeffers	William Marden	Karlis Povisils	Jonathan West
Hunter Cline	Timothy Genz	Nathan Jones	Graham Reed	Graham Reed	Matthew Woolfolk
Maxwell Cooper	Gabriel Graham		Kevin Matthew	Kadosa Schaffer	Beau Yates

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Taison Bell, MD
Assistant Professor of Medicine
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SAVE THE DATE!

August 26, 2021 • Noon to 1:30 PM

Boar's Head Resort
Charlottesville, VA



FRIENDS OF SCOUTING LUNCHEON

CHARLOTTESVILLE
BOAR'S HEAD
RESORT



Friday, September 17, 2021
Shenandale Gun Club

MRSSAGE FROM YOUR.....



Spring 2021 offers opportunities for all of us here in the Virginia Headwaters Council. It's truly a season of renewal for our youth, their families, our volunteers, our professional team, and our broader council community. Our volunteers and professional team are already hard at work preparing to reopen Camp Shenandoah for Summer Camp and subsequent year-round programming. We've scheduled a host of fun events for the rest of 2021. We're getting outdoors in nature—our precious classroom—inviting our youth to hit the trail, set up camp, and explore the many wonders

of our amazing wilds. We hope that you and your youth can join us.

Our broad 2021 council goals present surmountable challenges: development of robust financial health; development of a robust and inclusive Family Scouting Program in keeping with Scouting's enduring values; robust infrastructure development; and better communication within and without our local Scouting community.

You can help us tackle any or all of these challenges. Do what you can wherever you are with whatever you might offer.

For instance, you can assist to improve your own unit health, programming, and participation. Help us improve the vital Cub experience, which serves our youngest girls and boys, drives membership growth, and strengthens membership retention from the foundation up. Or just do a good turn daily. Our kids, our council, needs your continued engagement. Together, we cannot fail.

Pete Fenlon, Council President petefenlon@mac.com



Well it is finally behind us. Restrictions are beginning to lift, and most Units are meeting again. Everyone greets now with which vaccination did you get? It is time to refocus on getting youth together and build the Council back to what it once was. Volunteers are needed everywhere. Big and small jobs abound. Please don't just drop off your scout. Stay with them and help. You will be better for it.

Joe Reisinger, Council Commissioner joereisinger@embarqmail.com



TRY AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Hello scouts and scouters and welcome to summer 2021. I truly hope we get outdoors and continue the promise of scouting.

I would like to share a funny story that may resonate with all of you. As a young camp director, I would, every day at 2 pm walk around the camp and check on all my program areas and staff. It was the best part of my day. One day I was walking the trail and I spot two boys, one of which was crying and the

other, his brother, was telling him it was ok. So naturally I was concerned and asked hey what's up buddy? You, Ok? The boy that was crying say no. Look at this, I am going to fail basketry merit badge. His basket was a mess, I mean he really messed this up. So, I said hey its not that bad come to the trading post with me and I will buy you guys a slushie and I will "help" you fix this. They said ok.

So, as they are enjoying their slushies, I take apart the basketry mess and start working on it. The upset scout asked me if I was an Eagle Scout and I proudly said yes, a few minutes go by and he asked me if I have Basketry merit badge and I replied sure do. I said to them, you have keep trying and you can always start over, the secret is do not give up.

After 20 minutes I screwed this scout's basketry kit up so bad that it looked worse than his turn at it. I was now upset and frustrated, but the upset scout and his brother were laughing at me. The older brother asked did you really earn Basketry merit badge Mr. Battaglia and then I started laughing. I replied yeah but along time ago. We continued to laugh, and they said thanks for the slushies, but we have to make it to swimming merit badge.

I sat there, embarrassed, and frustrated but feeling good that at least I tried, at least I brightened up their day and maybe they can see in failure there is another chance, just keep trying.

Needless to say, my staff found out and made me redo my basketry merit badge that summer, and I had to do it at every dinner until io got it right. I did it....and so can you. You do not have to be perfect you just have to try and most of all you have to care.

Have a great summer everyone.

Jim Battaglia, Scout Executive james.battaglia@scouting.org

Virginia's First Eagle Scouts

By Ray Ezell, Virginia Headwaters Council Historian

The first two Eagle Scouts in Virginia were from Staunton. The March 1913 edition of Boys' Life magazine reported that Fred E. Woodson and J. Levering Early became the nineteenth and twentieth Eagle Scouts in the nation (out of over 300,000 scouts enrolled in the BSA). Woodson earned 13 merit badges in a single month to qualify as an Eagle Scout; while, Early earned a total of 22 merit badges.

Fred E. Woodson joined Staunton YMCA Troop No. 1 which was, for a time, led by teacher and Interim Scoutmaster Eleanor L. White replacing her brother, Scoutmaster Marshall L. White, who left Staunton in late 1911. During the summer of 1912, Woodson returned to Oklahoma to visit relatives; and while there, he earned half of the remaining merit badges he needed for the Eagle rank. He completed the remaining merit badges with the help of interim Scoutmaster White once he returned to Staunton.

On December 28, 1912, Woodson was personally awarded his Eagle Scout badge by U.S. President-elect Woodrow Wilson in Staunton (Wilson's hometown) during the large homecoming celebration thrown for the incoming President. Woodson was 17 years old at the time.

The February 17, 1913 edition of The Muskogee Daily Press (Woodson's former hometown newspaper) noted his Scouting achievement in the following excerpt, "...fought his way to the top solely through his study of the principles of the work as a Boy Scout." Sixteen months later, Woodson moved back to Muskogee, Oklahoma where he continued his Scouting career. In September 1915, Woodson received a commission as Deputy Scout Commissioner of the new Muskogee, Oklahoma council. In April 1921, he was appointed executive of the Sapulpa Boy Scout Council in Oklahoma. Woodson received a medical degree in 1931, and Dr. Woodson lived in Tulsa for the remainder of his career.

The 20th Eagle Scout in the United States (and the second Eagle Scout in Virginia), John Levering Early, was recorded as a member of Troop No. 3 in Staunton and completed his Eagle Scout requirements on January 14, 1913. An article written by Early in the March 26, 1992 issue of The News Leader stated that he would have been the fourth or fifth Eagle Scout in the nation except for the fact that his application paperwork was apparently mishandled at the BSA headquarters. No other details regarding this situation could be located for this essay.

After being drafted into the army in July 1918, he entered Officers' Training School at Camp Lee, Virginia. In 1920, Early enrolled in the University of Virginia's Law School. After graduating from UVA, he became an attorney in Sarasota, Florida. From 1951-1952, he was also the mayor of Sarasota. He lived there for the remainder of his life.

The descriptions of Virginia's first Eagle Scouts reinforces the notion that Scouting helped to significantly mold these young men into the noteworthy adults that they became later in life and the contributions that they made in their communities. Scouting, now as then, is essential in forming young men into the best versions of themselves that they can be.

Read more essays on the history of Scouting in central Virginia at,

<https://historyofscoutingva.wordpress.com>



Shenandoah Lodge is getting ready for our next event at Camp Shenandoah, June Fellowship!! The dates of this event are June 11th – 13th. Here we will do our part in getting camp ready for the summer camp season through cheerful service. We will also have an Ordeal opportunity, a Brotherhood ceremony, and our annual Vigil Nomination meeting. This is not an event you will want to miss because we will also be launching 3 new patches including a camp themed lodge flap, an updated elangomat lodge flap, and a limited lodge flap that tells the story of our new totem. You can register for June Fellowship on our website at Shenandoahlodge.org.

If you cannot make it to the June Fellowship, then you will surely get a taste of the OA at Summer camp! Our OA Everyday program will make sure of it! From medicine bowl to ceremonies, Shenandoah Lodge will be present at camp. I hope to see you all at June Fellowship! Let's get ready for a Shenandoah Summer!!!

Ben Chisholm | Lodge Chief—Shenandoah Lodge



Conclave registration is now LIVE!
Register today for the largest annual weekend Scouting event in VA!

<https://conclaveregistration.org/section/sr7a> #SR7AConclave #EMERGE21



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The Massanutten District has had several units hard at work over the past few months crossing youth over into Scouts, BSA. We would like to remind all leaders that if you had youth cross over to your unit, please make sure that an application is turned in so that they appropriately show up on your unit roster.

As a District, we also had our first in-person Roundtable at Massanutten Presbyterian Church. We discussed Membership and how to recruit youth in the summer. One takeaway from Roundtable would be to make sure your unit's BeAScout.com pin is up to date, and also make sure that you are looking out for community events for your unit to be at and working on recruiting. The District is working hard to make sure that we are ready for fall recruitment when it is here.



Troop 40 at the Pack 120 Crossover



The District is also partnering with Valley District in its first golf tournament on October 16, 2021, if you would like to get involve or know a team that would please visit www.vahcbsa.org/fosgolf or contact Josh Calderon at josh.calderon@scouting.org



Pack 38 giving out awards and celebrating their crossing over to Scouts, BSA





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Greetings Monticello District Scouters,

As Virginia begins to reopen, the Monticello District is excited to have a number of outdoor events coming up this summer. It is a great time to get your units outdoors, get our Scouts active, and use our outdoor program to recruit new members.

Roundtable

The District will have an in-person, outdoor, District Roundtable on Thursday, June 3, 2021 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Please watch your email for the location. Roundtables are held on the first Thursday of every month (except July) and are an excellent opportunity for unit leaders to get the latest information and to socialize with and learn from other Scouters. Every unit should send at least one representative to Roundtable! There will be no Roundtable in July and we will meet again on Thursday, August 5 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. to kick off recruiting in the new school year.

Swim Checks

We are all looking forward to getting back in the water this summer. To do so safely, everyone that will be doing aquatics activities, whether at summer camp, Sea Base High Adventure, or a unit event, needs to complete the annual BSA Swim Classification Test. The Aquatics Committee will be offering the Swim Checks on Sunday, June 6, 2021 from 3:00-5:30 p.m. at the Brooks Family YMCA in Charlottesville. No pre-registration is required. You can contact Eric Cutright at ericcutright@comcast.net with any questions.

Shooting Sports Rangemaster Training

The District Training Committee is looking for volunteers willing to train to supervise shooting sports (archery, BB guns, and slingshot) at District events such as Cub Scout Day Camp and Apple Harvest. Shooting sports are often Scouts favorite activities at these events, and we cannot operate them without a sufficient number of trained adult leaders. If you are interested in earning the Rangemaster qualification, please contact our District Training Chair Mike Bonham at mike@eqros.com

Cub Scout Day Camp

We have an action packed Cub Scout Day Camp planned for Monday June 21 to Friday June 25 at Chris Greene Lake Park in Charlottesville. The theme this year is Knights of the Round Table! The camp will run each day from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and will be filled with activities such as fishing, shooting sports, crafts, and games. The cost is \$130 per Scout. You receive a \$25 discount if you volunteer to help or have multiple Cub Scouts attending day camp. There is a sibling camp for the children of volunteers. Register online at <https://www.vahcbsa.org/montdaycamp> soon because there are a limited number of spots and they are filling fast.

Camp Liger

For Lions and rising Tigers, we will be offering Camp Liger on June 19, 2021 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Chris Greene Lake Park.



Friends of Scouting Luncheon

The Friends of Scouting Luncheon will be held at the Boar's Head Resort, Charlottesville on Thursday, August 26, 2021 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Our speaker this year will be Dr. Taison Bell, an Assistant Professor of Medicine at the University of Virginia who has helped lead the charge at UVA during the COVID-19 Pandemic. The theme of the program this year is to honor and thank first responders and frontline workers. You can get additional information at <http://www.vahcbsa.org/foslunch>

Aviation Day Update

The Gordonsville Municipal Airport has received more than \$1 million from the Virginia Aviation Board to widen, re-grade, and resurface their runway. Unfortunately, the construction will be active this summer and require us to postpone Cub Scout Aviation Day to April 2022. Keep an eye on our Aviation Day website for updates: <https://www.vahcbsa.org/AviationDay>

Apple Harvest

Our annual Apple Harvest Fall Camporee will take on October 8-10, 2021 at Camp Shenandoah. Cub Scouts are invited out for a day of fun activities on Saturday October 9. Save the date follow the website for updates: <https://www.vahcbsa.org/appleharvest>



Order of the Arrow Saponi Chapter

The Saponi Chapter of the Shenandoah Lodge will be resuming in person activities this month! The Chapter meets on the second Wednesday of every month. See their website for details: <https://shenandoahlodge.org/chapters/saponi/>



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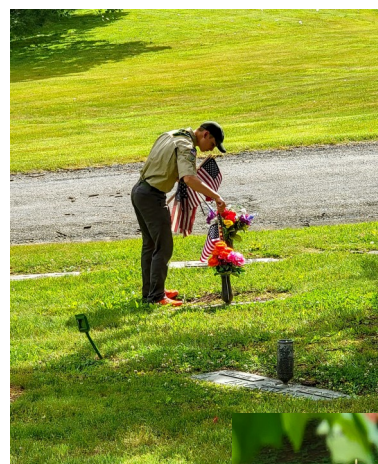
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SOUTHERN DISTRICT, BSA
GOLF TOURNAMENT

Vista Links Golf Course
Buena Vista, VA

\$200/Team of 4
Includes cart, green fees and lunch

September 11, 2021
"We will never forget."



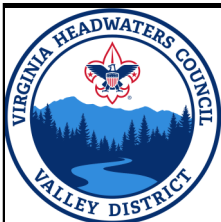
MEMORIAL DAY 2021

REMEMBER AND HONOR Troop 5 and Lexington VFW Post 1499

Memorial Day is an American holiday, observed on the last Monday of May, honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military.



Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971. Many Americans observe Memorial Day by visiting cemeteries or memorials, holding family gatherings and participating in parades.



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VALLEY DISTRICT CELEBRATES FIRST FEMALE EAGLE SCOUTS

We are so proud to present Valley District's first two female Eagle Scouts. Both are with Troop 142 in Waynesboro and recent graduates of Wilson Memorial High School. They are founders of Troop 142, chartered in the spring of 2019. Working backwards from their 18th birthday, they created timelines, specifically noting those milestone time in rank requirements.

On the left is Emmeline S. Her project was creating journey bags for the Foster Care Ministry at Bridge Christian Church. These small suitcases contained essential items like blankets and toiletries, but also fun items like books.

On the right is Lindsey R. Her project was to build benches for a new outdoor school area at Camp Light, a summer camp for youth and adults with special needs.

Both of these young ladies wish they could have joined at a younger age and greatly enjoyed their time together. They noted teamwork and lifelong friends as things they will take away. To the youth they say — "join. You won't regret it."



ROUNDTABLE, DISTRICT COMMITTEE and COMMISSIONER MEETINGS

Roundtable is held at 7 pm on the first Tuesday of every month, except July. We are currently doing a hybrid meeting. Weather permitting, in person will be in Tom and Kathe Maneval's backyard - 145 Huntington Place, Waynesboro, VA. Please bring a chair and your mask. Zoom information will be sent out before the meeting(s). Watch your email for any location or date change.



District Committee and Commissioner meetings are held at 7 pm on the second Tuesday of every month, except July. We are currently doing a hybrid meeting. In person meetings are held at the Council Service Center and Liz sends a Zoom link before the meeting.



and I'm getting happier!

Another paint day is for Saturday June 3, 2021.
Thanks to all the volunteers who helped
on Saturday, May 22 2021

