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Fall in Virginia is such a beautiful time. Frosty mornings and colorful leaves. Fall is never complete in our Council without

the Apple Harvest Camporee.

So, we had the camporee and what a camporee it was; over 800 participants enjoyed a gorgeous weekend at Camp Shenandoah. Thanks to all the staff that made this possible. Also, thanks to all the Scouts, leaders, and families that attended and made this event a huge success. During fall recruitment, make sure you tell the potential youth and families about such events and the fun available.

While you were at Apple Harvest, I hope you looked around the Camp and resolved to sign-up your units for summer camp! Yes, it is that time! We are looking forward to another great summer, so get signed-up!

In your observations of the Camp, if you saw things that needed to be improved, keep that in mind when you are asked for Friends of Scouting (FOS) contributions. I realize that money is tight in most households. It is the same for your Scout Council. Just know we appreciate all contributions and put them to use at the Camp and bringing the Scouting program to our youth. So be generous.

If you read this before Halloween, enjoy your treats and avoid the tricks. See you next month after Thanksgiving. Good Scouting to you all!

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Greetings Scouts and Scouters,

I am jazzed up thinking about this summer and all of you coming back to camp. I just spent two days in South Carolina marketing our beautiful Camp Shenandoah to over 400 scouts and scouters. They loved what they saw and hopefully we will get a few new troops and packs to try us out. They were very impressed with our staff and programming.

We have some major changes for next summer including the hiring of a professional food service to handle all phases of out food service. I apologize my homemade Lasagna will not be on the menu next summer. Additionally we are now hiring in all areas of camp and looking for top talent to lead our youth and programs so apply on line today.. through our website. This is going to be a very competitive year so sign up early.

As well we are putting together our 2023 National Jamboree Contingent leadership and package. We need youth and adults so please sign up today. Check our website for more details.

Thank you everyone.

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

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NOVEMBER 2022



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NATIONAL JAMBOREE CONTINGENT

The 2023 National Jamboree will be Wednesday, July 19, through Friday, July 28, 2023, at the Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve. Scouting's flagship event is one-of-a-kind. It's a gathering of tens of thousands of Scouts, leaders, and Jamboree Service Team members that showcases everything that is great about the Boy Scouts of America.

Over the course of 10 summer days, once every four years, the Boy Scouts of America gathers together. Scouts and Scouters who attend will explore all kinds of adventures—stadium shows, pioneer village, Mount Jack hikes, adventure sports and more—in the heart of one of nature's greatest playgrounds. With 10,000 acres at the Summit to explore, there's no shortage of opportunities to build Scouting memories.

National Jamboree is the best of Scouting rolled into 10 days of friends, fun and adventure! You won't want to miss out, get ready to Face the Challenge and sign up to attend the Jamboree! New for 2023 both youth and adults can participate in the Jamboree. Do you want to take your parents, your troop leaders? They can go!

The minimum age is 12 by the first day of the Jamboree. If you were planning on attending the 2021 Jamboree that was canceled due to COVID and have turned 18, you can still attend as a participate up to the age of 21 with a council contingent.

The 2023 Jamboree information and registration page can be found at http://jamboree.scouting.org
The participant information will include what is supplied by the Jamboree, campsite set up, and much more.

You will see the "fee for the jamboree" is \$1285; the fee to attend the jamboree. You will not be charged the late fee that is stated on the jamboree website. The total VAHC fee is \$1900. This will include the jamboree fee (\$1285), transportation to and from, VAHC T-shirts, patches, neckerchief/slide, backpack, hat and your tent.

Participant will be responsible for a complete field uniform.

The fee will be paid on the following payment schedule to VAHC:

Registration: \$500 January 1, 2023: \$500 March 1, 2023: \$500 April 15, 2023: \$400

REGISTER NOW!

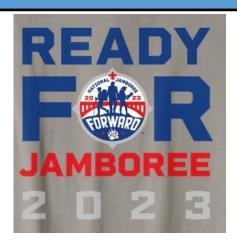
Once you register the Council will be notified of your registration and then you will be required to complete a Council form and payment.

Your VAHC Jamboree contact is: Tracey Stakem 301-268-3437 tgstakem@gmail.com

NEW FOR 2023 JAMBOREE

As stated before anyone that is 12 by the first day of Jamboree is eligible to attend. Also if you had registered for the 2021 jamboree that was canceled due to COVID and over the age of 18 but not yet 21 you can attend the 2023 Jamboree.

Also new for 2023 - adults can be part of the council contingent. In the past a contingent was 4 adult leaders and 36 youth. For 2023, the contingent can be as many adults who want to attend. For example: 20 adults and 20 youth.



VAHC Requirements to participate in the 2023 National Jamboree:

- · Be at least a First Class Scout no later than June 30, 2023.
- · Have completed 6th grade or be at least 12 years of age by July 19, 2023 and have not reached your 21st birthday by July 29, 2023 (for this jamboree only the age limit has been raised from 18 to 21)
- · Agree to and participate in pre-jamboree training experiences and all Jamboree unit meetings.
- · Submit a Jamboree Medical Form.
- · Have been active in a troop or crew for at least six months prior to July 1, 2023 and be approved by your Scoutmaster or Advisor and the Virginia Headwaters Council.
- · Agree to make payments as specified and have all costs totally paid no later than April 15, 2023.

If any additional activities that you plan to participate in such as White Water Rafting that have a fee, you will be required to pay that fee. It is not included in the \$1285 national fee.

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Troop 11 in Fishersville is doing the Climbing Merit Badge in Lynchburg, VA on March 18, 2023, 8am-2pm. This is indoor climbing, so weather is not an issue.

They have 22 extra spots available if you are interested. The cost is \$60 and please contact Ronnie Sweet, pack344leader@hotmail.com or 540-649-3591. Deadline is January 18, 2023.

First 22 to pay will get those spots. Location website https://riseupclimbing.com/firsttime



The Heart of Virginia Council, partnering with others in the area including Virginia Headwaters
Council, will be hosting a **College**of Commissioner Science on

February 4th, 2023. More information will be coming soon regarding registration.

This is a great training opportunity for any Scouters. Commissioner service is about helping units succeed, so even if you are not currently in a commissioner role these trainings can help you as a leader. If you are a commissioner (or are considering becoming one) there is something here for you.

Look for more information coming soon!



As our 2022 scouting year heads to a close, it is time to consider anyone in our Districts or Council for a SILVER BEAVER NOMINATION. The Silver Beaver Award recognizes registered Scouters of exceptional character who have provided distinguished service within a council. Nominations must be stamped with date and time no later than 5:00 PM on November 30, 2022.

Application for the SILVER BEAVER AWARD can be found at www.vahcbsa.org/silverbeaver



October 17, 2022

Last Monday evening, **Troop 37 Eagle Scouts and former Camp Shenandoah Staff members** Kess Hutchinson and Andrew Russamano (holding troop flag) visited the troop to recount their 2,650 mile, 160 day trek completing the Pacific Coast Trail.

The Eagles, Philmont alums, kept the troop at rapt attention as they related their travails along the route including injuries, snow, wildfires etc. On the way back to Virginia they even dropped by Philmont for "old times".

Andrew noted to the Scouts, "Self confidence and a little bit of courage; you can do anything you set your mind to..". As Scoutmaster Adams commented to the Scouts, "That is what it's all about in Scouting". He also suggested the Scouts pack a bit more gear for our annual Cole Mountain backpacking trip this month than the Eagles did on the Pacific Coast Trail.

Jay Fox



Scouting for Food Returns Soon!

"SFF" is our council's single biggest annual service event.

Did you know since 1988, our first year doing SFF, our Council has collected over 842,000 pounds? The Blue Ridge Area Food Bank counts on Scouts for their second largest annual food drive! This year, rising food costs have more families in need and are counting on us. This years dates are **November 5** for door hanger distribution and **November 12** to return for collections or set up in front of food markets and stores.

Please download our <u>2022 Scouting for Food Unit</u> <u>Guide</u> and help us help others!



Camp Shenandoah Summer Camp! Reservation Begins

Scouts and Scouters now is the time to get your units registered for Camp Shenandoah the upcoming 2023 summer session. We have a lot of new programming coming this year including addition of Robotics and

Camping Merit Badges.

We have new outboard motors for Motorboating MB and hope to expand that program as well as Swimming MB.

Shooting Sports will be offering chalk ball and muzzle loading free shoots this year.

There will also be a Provisional Troop for older Scouts seeking new adventures.

This year we will also offer a Cub Resident Camp at Shenandoah.

If you are interested in staffing at camp please note we have new salary scales for staff.



YOUR camp in YOUR Council needs YOU to join us in 2023!

Sign up early to ensure your favorite week at camp!

June 18-21: Cub Resident Camp June 21-24: Webelos Resident Camp June 25— July 1: Scouts BSA Week 1 July 2—July 8: Scouts BSA Week 2 July 9—July 15: Scouts BSA Week 3 July 16—July 22: Scouts BSA Week 4

Reservations now being accepted at www.campshenandoah.org









POPCORN and PEANUT SEASON

Shane Eppard (Council Kernel) at shane 763@hotmail.com

or

Josh Calderon (Staff Advisor) josh.calderon@scouting.org.





ORDER OF THE ARROW

As the year winds to a close, Shenandoah Lodge has some exciting news and events to close out the year!

Coming up, we have our annual One Day of Service November 5th, at 9am. This year, we will be doing trail work, re-shaping berms, and cutting back vegetation for the Charlottesville Area Mountain Bike Club. (CAMBC) During this event, we will be working with other volunteers from the CAMBC. In addition, you don't have to be a member of the Order of the Arrow to come to this event, all scouts are welcome to attend, and, with their unit leader's approval, count this towards rank advancement community service hours. Remember to bring work clothes, gloves, and water, as we will provide lunch and some light snacks. RSVP online at https://shenandoahlodge.org/event/one-day-of-service-2022/

Shenandoah Lodge held our Lodge Officer Elections at our Lodge Retreat, and we are proud to announce the 2023 Lodge Officer team.

	Vice President of	Vice President of	Vice President of	
Lodge Chief	Program	Inductions	Chief of Outreach	Secretary/Treasurer
Ben Annan	Henry Heisig	Zac Collins	Harlow Thompson	Colin McCrone

These new officers will take their Oath of Office at our Winter Banquet, coming up, January 7th. As we celebrate the year behind us, and prepare for the year ahead, join us for a banquet open to all members of Shenandoah Lodge, past or present. I hope to see you all there, and keep your eye on your emails for more information.

I look forward to the next year and the new Lodge Officers, and while my term is not yet up, I have enjoyed serving my Lodge, my Council, my Home.

Thank you all, for continuing to stay with Scouting and with the Order,

Donathan W. Linebrink | Lodge Chief ORDER OF THE ARROW - chief@shenandoahlodge.org

Brothers.

We are the **Brotherhood of Cheerful Service**, and every year we have a chance to give our service, cheerfully, to our community through **One Day of Service**. This year, we will be doing trail work, re-shaping berms, and cutting back vegetation for the Charlottesville Area Mountain Bike Club (CAMBC). During this event, we will be working with other volunteers from the CAMBC. In addition, you don't have to be a member of the Order of the Arrow to come to this event. Feel free to invite family and friends.

We will be working at Heyward Community Forest,

Charlottesville. Attached to this Email are directions to get there. We'll start work at 9 o'clock, Saturday, November 5th. We will be finished at 1 o'clock. Please remember to bring work gloves and clothes as well as water. We will have lunch and some snacks for everyone.

You can register for free here: https://shenandoahlodge.org/event/one-day-of-service-2022/

When you register, remember to let us know if you are bringing any guests with you. I hope to see you all there!

Yours in Cheerful Service, Benjamin Annan | Vice Chief of Program





Teach your Scouts how to enhance their cooking skills using a Dutch Oven

The first-year patrol is planning its menu for the upcoming campout: cereal for breakfast, peanut butter sandwiches for lunch and hot dogs for dinner. This isn't the Scouts' first time camping; this is the third outing in a row with such simplistic fare. This might be an opportune time to introduce them to the wonders of Dutch-oven cooking. Traditionally, camping Dutch ovens are heavy cast-iron pots that make baking outdoors easy. You can also steam, fry, sauté or boil food in them.

If your Scouts need a little help concocting some creative dishes, show them these recipes from Scout Life magazine. The recipes include how to make pizza, breakfast casserole and turkey. The latest entries, which will be featured in the October 2022 issue, feature troop-submitted ideas that can satisfy your sweet tooth.

Cooking tips

Use Dutch ovens on the ground and on durable, fireproof material, like rock, gravel or dirt. Always have a bucket of water handy to douse any wayward flames or extinguish coals when you're done cooking. How do you control the temperature in a Dutch oven? Change the number of hot coals on top and

underneath the oven. Check out how many coals you need for different temperatures in this conversion chart for ovens from 8 to 16 inches in diameter. After you're done cooking and enjoying your meal, properly clean the Dutch oven. For a well-seasoned oven, you can use a sponge or nonmetallic scrub pad and warm water for washing and rinsing. You can also use salt and a paper towel to wipe it clean. Don't use metal scouring pads, which will damage the oven's coating.

You don't generally use soap, but check the manufacturer's instructions; small amounts of mild detergents could be OK to use.

After you've cleaned your oven, add a thin layer of food-grade oil over its entire surface, including the legs and handles.

Storage Tips

Q. What's the best way to store Dutch ovens to keep them away from dirt and bugs and to stop rusting?

— Rusty Pot Paul, Spotsylvania, Va.

A. While I'm an expert at eating all sorts of tasty stuff baked in Dutch ovens, I'm not so handy with care and maintenance tips. That's why I got in touch with Brenda Wildish from the International Dutch Oven Society. Here's what she had to say:

- Make sure the oven has a good seasoning (a coating of lard, vegetable oil, etc. that makes it stick-free).
- Place a paper towel inside the oven to collect the moisture. Some folks also use newspaper.
- Prop open the lid with a folded paper towel, just a small crack to let the air circulate. The helps keep the oven from going rancid.
- To prevent critters from getting in, store your

oven in a box or pillowcase, or buy a carrying bag to fit the oven.





MASSANUTTEN District

District Chair: Jeff Holsinger

District Commissioner: Matt Phillippi

District Director: Josh Calderon

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We're full of events early in the month as Scouting for Food and the OA's One Day of registered volunteer that you would like to Service are both on Saturday, November 5th. Then the next day our district will be marching in the Veterans' Day Parade in **Harrisonburg.** This is an excellent opportunity for visibility in our community. We will be walking the route with our district flags and banner and we encourage our units to bring out their flags as well. We'd love to have a sea of blue and tan walking up

As we close in on the end of the year our thoughts turn to charter renewals.

Main Street on Sunday afternoon.

Roundtable on November 2nd will be to discuss the process for this year and we'd like to see every Scouter there who can make it. We will have it available via Zoom as well, but we'd love to see you in person.

With the end of the year in sight we are also approaching the end of the Massanutten

district. We are currently planning to merge with the Valley and Southern districts in the new year pending final approval at the annual meeting in January. This makes on time charter renewal even more important than usual. As we work to merge the units into one district it is pivotal that all of our units are entered correctly. Make sure you are in contact with district leadership to work out any issues.

Lastly, I want to thank each and every one of you for an awesome year so far. Every

Scout and volunteer make this organization great. Every parent that spends some time helping set up a Blue & Gold or making a dish for a potluck at a Court of Honor, you're what makes this organization run. Thanks to all of you.

A quick reminder that if you have a nominate for the District Award of Merit, make sure to get those nominations into the district leadership by the end of the month. Same goes for the Silver Beaver and sending that in to Cindy Zollman, or any other awards for that matter. We have some outstanding Scouters in this organization and they deserve to be recognized for their efforts.

Matt Phillippi **District Commissioner**





Congratulations, Owen Troop 42 newest Eagle Scout October 3, 2022



MONTICELLO District

District Chair: Ed Murphy

District Commissioner: Michelle McCrone

District Executive:

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District Executive:

Michelle McCrone: eodmommy@hotmail.com

Scouts and Scouters had a great time representing Scouting at Pride Days in Charlottesville and Staunton this fall selling Popcorn and Peanuts. We made over \$1100 in sales! Many thanks to leaders Anne Blair and Brian Doench of Pack 77, Adam Sowers of Pack 79, and Christian Ramsburg of Troop 1029 for coming by and helping us spread the message that Scouting is for everyone.

Christmas Tree Sales

We will have a very limited number of Christmas Trees and Wreaths for sale this year at three lots: Crozet, Pantops, and Fluvanna. Sales should begin the weekend after Thanksgiving (look for an email in late November with the details on the dates and lot locations). Since we have very limited inventory, the trees will go quickly! When we announce the sales, run, don't walk, to the nearest tree lot to get your Scout Christmas Tree! Our thanks to the Christmas Tree Committee for organizing the sale this year. Please contact Ed Murphy at emm8xuva@gmail.com if you would like to join the committee.

Roundtables

Our next Roundtable will be on November 3, 2022 in Louisa County. The Cub Scout breakout session will focus on Cub Scout training for adult leaders while the Scouts BSA breakout session will focus on Scouts BSA training for adult leaders and for youth. Every Scout deserves a trained leader! Come by, either in person or online, to learn what it takes to be fully trained in your position and to learn about the training that is available.

Our December 1 Roundtable will be held at Monticello High School in Charlottesville and will focus on Recharter. EVERY Committee Chair should plan to attend to learn what is new with Recharter for 2023.





Save the Dates: Upcoming District (and some Council) Events

Nov 3	District Roundtable - Louise County 7:00 - 8:30 pm		
Nov 5	Scouting for Food - Hanger Distribution		
Nov 12	Scouting for Food - Food Collection		
Nov 16	Monticello District Commissioners Mtg 6:30 - 7:30 pm		
Nov 16	Monticello District Committee Meeting 7:30 - 9:00 pm		
Nov-Dec	Christmas Tree Sales		
Dec 1	District Roundtable - Monticello High School, Charlottesville 7:00 - 8:30 pm		
Dec 3	Holiday Parade at Barracks Road Shopping Venter, Charlottesville		
2023 April 22-23	Cub Scout Aviation Day and Family Camping - Gordonsville Airport		

Apple Harvest Camporee

Oct 6-8



SOUTHERN District

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District Commissioner:

Asst. Scout Executive: Sue Hart

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District Commissioner:

Sue Hart: susan.hart@scouting.org



QUOTABLE

'Scouting forces you to deal with your discomfort. It trains you to do the thing you don't want to do. And over time I realized it does something else, too. It trains you to like it'.

-EAGLE SCOUT MIKE ROWE, STAR OF 'DIRTY JOBS'

WE NEED TO INCREASE OUR MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS AND UNITS

We are looking to start a new Cub Scout Pack in the Lexington area. We also need to add membership to our very active packs in the Alleghany area. Remember boys and girls can be in the same Pack with he proper leadership.

HELP US HELP THE YOUTH IN THE AREA There are many interested cub age youth in the Lexington are.

Would you be willing to help us with leadership to get a unit started?

Please reach out to Cindy or Tom to discuss: Cindy Zollman - 540-460-4832 Tom Greenwood - 540-968-1343



April 29, 2023 Cliff View Golf Club Covington, VA

AM only - 18 teams \$220/team includes cart, mulligans, and lunch. Cash prizes to First, Second and Third places.



September 18, 2023 Lexington Golf&CountryClub Lexington, VA

AM and PM - 40 teams \$220/team includes cart, mulligans, and lunch. Cash prizes to First, Second and Third places.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR 2023 GOLFING



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VERONA VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOUR ORGANIZATION TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR 2022 CHRISTMAS PARADE ON DEC 17! WE ARE LOOKING FOR FLOATS, SPECIALTY VEHICLES, ANTIQUES, MARCHING GROUPS, AND ANYTHING YOU CAN IMAGINE! PLEASE REACH OUT TO HOLIDAYCOMMITTEE@VVFC6.COM TO CONFIRM YOUR INTEREST AND TO RECEIVE LINE UP INFORMATION AND PARADE ROUTES! WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!

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GROWING SCOUTING

CONFERENCE



Come to learn and discuss how we can grow Scouting by making it a welcoming place for ALL youth and volunteers of all backgrounds! We'll talk recruitment/retention, program, diversifying leadership, and more, all with a focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI).

Each council is encouraged to have a full team of leaders participate:

- Council/District Key 3s
- Scouting Professionals
- Board Members
- Commissioners
- DEI Committees
- Council/District Membership, Marketing, and Program Committees
- Special Needs Committees
- Unit Leaders
- And all others interested in making Scouting an inclusive place are welcome!

JANUARY 28TH, 2023

9AM - 5PM

OWINGS MILLS, MD

Registration opening soon! Sign up to receive info with QR code or at: https://forms.gle/eojS6cNsfNMarYXAA







