



The Crater Paper

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Dates to Remember:

Feb 3 Cub Leader Specific Training

Feb 3 Patrick Henry
Feb 4 to 10 Scouting Anniversary Week
Feb 4 Scout Sunday

Feb 5 Roundtable

Feb 8 Scout Anniversary
Feb 10 Patrick Henry
Feb 12 OA Meeting

Feb 17 Webelos Klondike Derby

Feb 19 District Committee Meeting

Feb 24 Boy Scout Leader Specific Training

Feb 26 District Commissioners Meeting
Feb 27 Council Recognition Gala

March 5 Roundtable

March 10 Pow Wow and Commissioners College

March 12 OA Meeting

March 16 to 18 Boy Scout Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

March 19 District Committee Meeting

March 26 District Commissioners Meeting

March 31 District Pinewood Derby

Crater Links:

Heart of Virginia Council
www.hovbsa.org

Crater District
www.craterbsa.org

Order of the Arrow
www.nawakwa.org

Announcing the Heart of Virginia Council Camporee to be held October 12 - 14, 2007

This event will focus on both the 400th Anniversary of Virginia, and the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts beginnings in England under Baden Powell.

This will be a combined event for Cubs, Boy Scouts, Venture Crews, and Explorers, with activities for all. Information will be released shortly, so mark your calendars now, and

Feb. 17, Klondike Derby for the Webelos at White Bank Park in Colonial Heights.

Ready for the challenge and the fun, Popsicle Bridge built to the specifications? Go to www.craterbsa.org to find our information site.



Earn an extra point for your Webelos - Register by Feb. 1

All Webelos are encouraged to attend.

Sled inspection begins at 8:00 AM, with the derby beginning at 9:00 AM.

Two extra points will be awarded to dens ready to be inspected by 8:15 AM.

The cost is \$7.50 per participant and \$2.50 for each Leader patch. Please call or e-mail Sean Higgins or to ask questions at: 526-9514 or seanhiggins@earthlink.net

March 31 Cub Scout District Pinewood Derby

This event will be held at the Moose Lodge in Colonial Heights and will be coordinated by Pack 160. Registration will start at 9:30 a.m. Racing starts at 11:00 Lunch will be available at a nominal price, along with drinks. If any Pack has another track that can also be used there can be more racing options available.

Contact Kathy Dailey from Pack 160 at CHMOOSE1783@yahoo.com

April 20 - 22, 2007 CRATER DISTRICT OA MERIT BADGE CAMPOUT AT ALBRIGHTS Over 20 Merit Badges to choose from.

This is a great event for all Boy Scouts to earn their badges. Newly transitioned and older Scouts both have several options here.

Please contact Mr. Hagerich at hagericp@netzero.com for more information or if you would like to volunteer to help in any way at this event.

Coming Events:

Feb 24 - Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters Specific Training – at Wesley United Methodist Church. 3701 Conduit Rd. Colonial Heights, Va.
The Training Patrol has been formed, and all Boy Scout Leaders, Committee Members, Webelos Leaders, and interested Adults are urged to attend this important Training opportunity.

Registration will open at 7:30 Opening Ceremony will be 8:00am.

Please bring a bagged lunch. We should wrap things up by 5:45 pm.

1st session will be New Leader Essentials for those who need it (and review for those who have already completed it).

Registration fee of \$5 is payable at registration, the day of the course.

This course is open to anyone wishing to participate.

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills is scheduled for **Mar 16 - 18** and will be held at Albrights Scout Reservation.

Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters are considered trained when they have completed New Leader Essentials, Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training, and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills.

Contact Chuck Smith at cws3.smith@usa.net for information and pre-registration for these events.

March 10 POW WOW is a Cub Scout leader's Learning extravaganza! This is a fun-filled experience where Leaders increase their knowledge, improve their skills, and gain enthusiastic attitudes about Cub Scouting. Early Registration is required, more info and registration form is at www.hovbsa.org, look under Training. **Commissioner's College** offers the complete training program for all Commissioners. Interactive course participation will provide participants with a wealth of knowledge to help units succeed.

March 23 to 25 American Red Cross Wilderness First Aid Wilderness First Aid course conducted by American Red Cross for Scout Leaders only. Cost is \$60 and is held outdoors at Albright Scout Reservation. **Contact Info:** Pat Meadows (804) 745-7552 Email: wsilgi@cs.com

April 13 to 15 Wood Badge Part 1 ; May 05 to 07 Wood Badge Part 2

April 28 American Red Cross Basic First Aid and CPR Course \$25 at the Council Service Center for Scout Leaders Only **Contact Info:** Pat Meadows (804) 745-7552 Email: wsilgi@cs.com

May 19 Cub Scout fun with son Saturday, Chance for Cub Scout and parent to have an exciting weekend of fun and adventure at the Cub Scout Adventure Camp.

Check out these sites for online training opportunities: www.hovbsa.org and www.scouting.org. While you are there check out the Guide to Safe Scouting, Youth Protection Training, and the Age-Appropriate Guidelines for Scouting Activities.

Heart of the Unit Leadership Award - Do you have an outstanding Leader in your Unit you feel should be acknowledged for the great job they are doing? Get your nominations entered so they may be praised at our **District Awards and Recognition Dinner May 30** and show how much your Unit values their contributions. This is a new award, and every Unit will be able to have one of their own recognized at our dinner. Nominees must be approved by your Unit Committee Chair. You may at the same time submit your entries for the **District Leadership Award**, and the **District Award of Merit**.

Mail all submissions to: Lowell Flickinger 134 Hollyberry Lane Prince George, Va. 23875 (862-3271)