



The Crater Paper

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Dates to Remember:

March 31 District Pine-wood Derby

April 2 Roundtable

April 8
Easter



April 9 OA Meeting

April 13 to 15 Wood
Badge Part 1

April 16 District Commit-
tee Meeting

**April 20 to 22 Merit
Badge Weekend**

April 23 District Commis-
sioners Meeting

**April 27 Last Day for
Frost in Richmond**

May 5 to 7 Wood Badge
Part 2

May 7 Roundtable

May 19 Cub fun with Son
Day

May 21 District Commit-
tee Meeting

May 28 District Commis-
sioners Meeting

**May 30 Crater District
Awards and Recogni-
tion Dinner**

June 9 Super Saturday

Crater Links:

Heart of Virginia Council
www.hovbsa.org

Crater District
www.craterbsa.org

Order of the Arrow
www.nawakwa.org



Scout Family Day at Albrights

We had a nice gathering of about 50 people spread throughout Albrights this past Sunday.

The sun was shining and there was enough wind

to get a few kites up in the air that day. The ponds were looking good for fishing too. This was kind of a last minute event, but those who came all enjoyed the time. Albrights is a beautiful place to get out and away from it all, and since it is ours to enjoy, we should as much as possible. We are already planning for next year when we will do this again, and it will be on our District Calendar.

April 20, 2008 will be the date. We hope you will come out and join in the fun.

For those of you who do not know, you can go to Albrights for Unit activities that you may plan, including overnights. You must make arrangements with the Olsen's (the care takers of the property). Find the Albrights link on the HOV web site or to make contact use ol-



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 9:00 a.m. Racing starts at 11:00 Lunch will be available at a nominal price, along with drinks.

Race 1: 1st Place Tiger, Wolf, Bear, and Webelos from each Pack—\$2.00 per scout

Race 2: Open Class: All scouts, parents, and siblings are invited to enter.—\$5.00 per person

Come out for tons of fun! Concessions will be available. They will also have door prizes for all Scouts to enter to win. Trophies, ribbons and certificates will be given out!!!

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

April 20 - 22 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. Contact Phil Hageric at hagericp@netzero.net for more info or if you would like to volunteer to help.

Important new information about this event!!!! Webelos may attend this year! This is a great chance for your Webelos to see and interact directly with the Boy Scouts. You can come out and camp, or just come out and enjoy the day Saturday. The Saturday evening campfire program they put on is great, come out and watch how the Boy scouts recognize each other and their Leaders.

Coming Events:

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.

May 30 Crater District Awards and Recognition Dinner

Mark your calendar now for this night, it will be held at the Colonial Heights Moose Club. Get your nominations entered so your Leaders may be praised at our **District Awards and Recognition Dinner May 30** and show how much your Unit values their contributions.

Nominations are due in by our April 2 Roundtable!

3 Different Award categories will be presented this night

1: 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? This is a new award, and **Every Unit** will be able to have one of their own Leaders recognized at our dinner. Nominations should be approved by your Unit Committee Chair.

You may at the same time submit your entries for the

2: District Leadership Award. This award is for those in your Unit, who bring a quality program to your Unit, and who also bring their skills and dedication to assist in our District programs and events.

3: District Award of Merit. This is the highest award that is given to a Scouter at the District level and also the only "non-square knot" in the knot award group. The District Award of Merit is awarded by a District to volunteer for service to youth in the District.

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

July 30 to August 3 Cub Scout Day Camp Gertrud has been preparing all year for this event. She puts on one of the best Cub Day Camps in the nation. Packets should be mailed to all Packs. If you need more information contact Gertrud Mott at gmott@sent.com

Special Request from Gertrud- Please we need your help and assistance setting up all the tents and tarps the Friday and Saturday (July 27 and 28) before Day Camp opens. If all Packs offered a few individuals to help, the work would go quickly.

Cub Scout and Boy Scout advancement reports are required to be delivered to the Scout Shop prior to purchasing awards. This has been re-emphasized from the Council office. Do not wait to turn in advancement reports to the end of the year. This makes it appear that No advancements and progress is being made in your unit - - Pack, Den, or Troop. Each scout learns, demonstrates, and is rewarded in a timely fashion - - the scout way.

Opportunities: Your Crater District Committee is looking for a District Commissioner to lead the overall commissioner program. Currently there are the correct numbers of unit commissioners per number of units. We are fortunate in that respect. District Commissioner Eric Hamilton has done a great job! But due to family illnesses that he must attend, he has asked to be relieved of his duties. We hope that Eric's family members will soon recover. In the meantime, Paul Kosewicz has volunteered to head up the commissioner duties for Roundtable preparations. Additionally, we are pursuing the identification of a Finance Chairperson for 2007/2008. If you have a desire to fulfill either of these leadership positions, please let Cecil know at Cecil.M.Smith@pmusa.com or call 304-3177 during business hours.

Be a STAR - A Scouter Who Attends Roundtable !