

TROOP TRUMPET

Troop 1518



March 2010

Summer Camps

- **Camp Barnhardt:** Troop 1518 will go to one of the premier Scout camps located on the William C. Cannon Scout Reservation in the vicinity of Charlotte, North Carolina. Camp dates are 27 Jun – 03 Jul 2010. Estimated cost per Scout is \$360 (\$185 camp fee + \$175 bus transportation). Every Scout must pay a \$90 nonrefundable deposit by 15 Mar. The remaining balance will be due by 07 Jun. Sign up sheets will be at Patrol Corners this month. See web for more details. SMIC: ASM Robinson ASMIC: ASM Hannen, SPLIC: Chris Butters

- **Lenhok'sin Camp:** In preparation for Philmont 2011 or other high adventure camps, 13/14 year old scouts should seriously think about this preparation camp for 2010. Two adult leaders will be needed to begin planning and decide. Interested scout and adults should contact SM Romans

- **Sea Base 2010:** The two crews are full up but you may sign up as an alternate for High Adventure Training at the BSA Florida Sea Base 06-12 Jul. Participating Scouts must be 14 years old by 01 Sep 2010 and must pass the BSA Swim Test. Estimated total cost per Scout is \$1,200, including airfare and ground transportation. Visit the Troop website for more information and download the application. SMIC: ASM Vance Stewart at 703-455-2811 or stew1989@verizon.net.

- **National Scout Jamboree:** The 2010 National Jamboree at Fort A.P. Hill is 24 July – 04 Aug, a little over five months away and the sign ups for the 12 full troops from NCAC at the event are near full. All Scouts and prospective troop leaders may sign up provisionally at www.bsajamboree.org and will be placed in the queue for Jamboree attendance with the NCAC contingent. See www.boyscouts-ncac.org or contact ASM Summers or ASM Noetzel for more information.

OA EVENTS. Regular Chapter meetings @ 7:00 PM the 1st Sunday of every month @ SUMC, our sponsor. See the TOAR for further information or questions.

- **OA Members:** All OA members should participate in OA events. At the very least attend one of the Chapter meetings held monthly Sunday night at SUMC!!

EVENTS

- **Nature Hike:** A nature hike is happening on Sunday 07 Mar at Huntley Meadows for all who are interested. During the hike we will cover the local animal and plant ID requirements for Tenderfoot, 2nd Class, & 1st Class. Need 2 Senior scouts to help - service hours will be awarded. See ASM Okada for details.

- **Mulch Delivery:** Mulch Delivery at 7:30 am Sat 20 Mar at the Hunt Valley Swim Club. All scouts and parents/families should be there all day but if you need to break for other activities do so and return as we have thousands of bags to deliver. Drivers and Scouts are needed to deliver all the mulch that is ordered. See ASM Summers for details or look on the website.

- **Adult Leader/Committee Training:** Please check out the Old Rag District newsletter found on the NCAC web site under ODD for courses offered. Many of the courses can be taken on-line. For assistance contact the Troop Adult Training Coordinator: Mr. Steve Chang

- **Blue Cards:** Scouts and Merit Badge counselors – All completed blue cards need to be turned into Mrs. Fortney by the conclusion of the Troop meeting on 15 Mar for this COH.

- **Eagle Project:** Save the date of 10 Apr to help Scout Tom S. Details to follow.

Scoutmaster's Corner. We celebrated the 100th Anniversary of Scouting in America 08 Feb 2010. While we shared a delicious cake to commemorate the occasion, let us remember the founding members who had the vision to create this great youth organizations for boys and more recently through Explorer and Venture Scouting, teenage men and women. The basic life skills, teamwork, leadership, and citizenship are what we adults can pass on to our future – the generations of youth we influence through the scouting program and in Troop 1518 specifically. There are four main activities planned this year (see link: http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/openrosters/view_homepage.asp?orgkey=2010), which we hope you and your scout will participate...hey if you miss these Centennial events you just may not be here for the Bi-Centennial!!!! This year gives us an opportunity to reflect on the value of scouting. Perhaps you can be an influence by volunteering – in a registered position or just stepping up whenever/wherever the Troop needs your helping hand. There is still room for the Centennial Camporee in May. Hope to see all of you at Mulch Delivery on 20 March. SM Scott Romans

Electronic Info. Please check the web for important activity and planning information. Website: <http://www.troop1518.org>.

MEETINGS. Reminder that regular Troop meetings are Mondays from 7:30 PM to 8:45 PM. Please be on time for opening colors, in seats by 7:25 PM.

- 01 Mar - Troop Meeting
- 06 Mar – ODD Merit Badge Jamboree
- 07 Mar – Nature Hike [Huntley Meadows]
- 08 Mar – 6:30 pm Troop Committee Meeting
-Troop Meeting
- 09 Mar – 7:15 pm Board of Review – Class "A" Uniform + Scout Handbook
- 12-14 Mar – Camping Skills Campout
- 15 Mar – Troop Meeting
- 16 Mar – 7 pm TLC Meeting/8 pm ASM Meeting
- 20 Mar – 7:30 am Mulch Delivery [Hunt Valley Swim Club]
- 22 Mar – Court of Honor [SUMC Hottle Hall] – Scouts bring snacks to share
- 29 Mar – No Meeting FCPS holiday
- 05 Apr – 6:30 pm Troop Committee Meeting
-Troop Meeting

MERIT BADGE CORNER

- **Merit Badge Jamboree.** Sat 06 March at Annandale High School. Have all required prerequisite work on merit badges completed before the Jamboree. Details are posted on the web. See ASM Kirk.

- **Citizenship in the World.** Eagle required merit badge. Any questions see Counselor: ASM Landwermeyer [Mar]

- **Family Life.** Eagle required merit badge. Any questions see Counselor: ASM Landwermeyer [Feb]

- **Personal Fitness.** Eagle required merit badge. First session on 22 Feb. Any questions see Counselor: Ms. Kim Robinson [Feb]

- **Citizenship in the Nation.** Eagle required merit badge. Any questions see Counselor: ASM Wheeler [Nov]

- **Emergency Preparedness.** Eagle required merit badge. See Counselor: Mr. Hurston [Oct]

- **Veterinary Medicine** Counselor :Mrs. Jensen [Oct]

- **Coin Collecting; Collections, Stamp Collections** Counselor :Mr. Hurston [Sep]

- **Scholarship.** E-mail ellenmusante@hotmail.com. Counselor: CC Musante [Sep]

- **Reading.** E-mail ellenmusante@hotmail.com. Counselor: CC Musante [Sep]

CAMPOUT CORNER

- **Camping Skills.** Get ready for the Camping Skills campout, 12-14 Mar at the Prince William National Forest. During this campout, activities will focus on the Camping Merit Badge requirements as well as rank advancement requirements for Second Class and First Class. We will also conduct an orienteering course. Sign-up sheets will be available during patrol corners. If any Senior Scout is interested in helping to plan and serve as SPLIC for this event, please let SMIC know immediately. SMIC: ASM Robinson, ASMIC: ASM Wheeler, SPLIC: TBD

- **New Guy Campout:** This will be held for our bridging WEBLOS on 17-18 Apr. In addition to the Troop Guides and Instructors, there may be a need for other scouts to assist – looking for at least First Class or higher. Details to follow. SMIC: SM Romans

- **Canoeing Campout.** Get ready for the annual water event on 30 April – 02 May. Details and sign ups to follow but start saving for this \$50-\$100 trip...details to be posted on the web. SMIC: ASM Noetzel

NCAC Centennial Camporee: Be excited because Troop 1518 is registered for the Centennial Camporee 29-31 May at Goshen Scout Reservation. It is not too late for Scouts and Adults to sign up!!! Scouts will participate in reenactments of Scouting's historical events, games, contests and a great Sunday Spectacular! More details on the Web. Weblos are allowed to sign up after bridging. See SMIC: ASM Wheeler ASMIC: ASM Robinson

