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THANK YOU STAFF OF 2018!
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### National Order of the Arrow Conference

This week the Blue Ridge Council’s Atta Kulla Kulla Lodge is attending the 23rd annual National Order of the Arrow Conference! Bringing with them they have 11 adults, 20 youth, and 11 staff.

This year at Indiana University, Arrowmen will have the opportunity to take a wide range of classes and training opportunities ranging from leadership development classes to field sports. This year Atta Kulla Kulla has the unique opportunity to complete AIA ceremonies on the National stage for both pre-ordeal and Brotherhood ceremonies!
Scout Night

SCOUT NIGHT AT FLUOR FIELD
SUNDAY, AUGUST 5 | 4:00 PM

Drive vs. Rome Braves

Enjoy the Adventure, Achievements and Fun!

Special Scout Night program includes:

- Commemorative Scout Night at the Drive Patch
- Pregame Parade of Champions
- In-game recognitions
- Chance to participate in on-field games/contests
- Post-game Kids Run the Bases with Reedy Rip’It

Group Seating Still Available!!

Order tickets at www.greenvilledrive.com/scoutnight
Cub Family Weekends

Cub Family Weekends are right around the corner! Through out the weekends of OCTOBER, the whole family can enjoy activities such as: ARCHERY, CAMPING, PERSONAL FITNESS, FIELD GAMES, BB GUNS, FIREBUILDING, and an exciting EVENING CAMPFIRE. All while at CAMP OLD INDIAN!

Camp Old Indian is 1,000 acre premier Scout camp nestled in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains near Travelers Rest, SC filled with fun activities for Cub Scouts and parents.

Camp Old Indian has Adirondacks (small shelters open in the front with bunks) and several cabins. If you do not wish to sleep in the Adirondack shelter, you are welcome to bring your own tent.

For Dates and More Information Click Here

Webelos Woods

Nov. 2nd - 4th, 2018 at Camp Old Indian

Webelos Woods is a transition camping experience for Webelos. The boys will act and function according to the patrol method and will elect leadership positions in their patrol. Parents will be introduced to the patrol method and skills to help the troop.

Only the first 100 Webelos registered can attend. Scouts will be assigned to a patrol with a Boy Scout to serve as their guide; your child may or may not be assigned to a patrol with members from his current unit depending on the number of participants. A parent must be present for the entire weekend.

Cost: $35.00 per Scout includes a Webelos Woods T-Shirt - Adults $30.00 T-Shirt are Optional

Register Today
Good Times

Let’s just take a moment and look back at some of the great memories during the 2018 Summer Camp Program at Camp Old Indian! Enjoy!

Intro To Outdoor Leader Skills

September 22nd - 23rd, 2018
Old Indian Scout Reservation

This hands-on program gives adult leaders a practical introduction to the patrol method of a Scout-led troop by teaching many of the practical outdoor skills they need to lead Scouts in the out-of-doors. The skills sessions presented in this course closely follow the Boy Scout Handbook and are meant to serve as an adult training outline. By using these skills sessions in conjunction with the Boy Scout Handbook, trainers can be sure new leaders are proficient in many of the basic outdoor skills through First Class rank, and gain exposure to the patrol method and numerous teaching methods. Each skills session references specific chapters in the Boy Scout handbook and highlights advancement requirements.

Get Registered Today
Popcorn and Nuts

On Your Marks... Get Set... GO NUTS!!! The Blue Ridge Council Popcorn & Peanut Sale is about to begin! You can earn your way to camp and win some Grand Prizes with these delicious snacks. Great for gifts, trails, or just for yourself. Make sure to get your commitment forms turned in by August 3rd for bonuses!

Trail’s End popcorn and Whitley’s nuts are a great way to finance your unit’s program. By ordering exactly what you need and receiving a commission on each item sold, selling popcorn and nut products is a great way to earn funds for advancements, camps and fun activities for your Scouts. Plus, with a large variety of products, customers are happy to support Scouting while getting a delicious bag of popcorn or can of nuts in the process!

Find Out More Here
NOMINATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE NESA OUTSTANDING EAGLE SCOUT AWARD AND THE BSA COUNCIL ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR AWARD

First, every year, the National Eagle Scout Association (NESA) recognizes outstanding Eagle Scouts across America with the NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout Award (NOESA). This prestigious recognition is for Eagle Scouts who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in their profession, community and/or avocation. NESA defines avocation as an activity including, but not limited to, athletics, hobbies, collecting, outdoor adventure, and record-setting activities.

All NOESA recipients must be Eagle Scouts in good standing with the Boy Scouts of America and must either be registered with or have their primary residence within the boundaries of the nominating council. Each recipient’s actions and accomplishments should elevate the stature of Eagle Scouts in the public eye, and each recipient shall be held to the standards set forth in the Scout Oath, Scout Law, and national BSA standards for membership.

While the selection of NOESA recipients is a local council function, the nominees and reason for granting their recognition is confirmed by the National Eagle Scout Association. The award may not be granted posthumously. No length of time is required to have passed since earning the Eagle Scout rank. Recipients of the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award may not receive the NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout Award.

The Blue Ridge Council’s prior recipients of the NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout Award include: Tim Hunt, Ed Patton, Robert Rainey, Vic Shelburne, Reverend David Surrett, Charlie Warlick, Chip Stockman, Tom Ervin, and Mickey Stokes.

To nominate a deserving Eagle Scout, download the Nomination Form and complete sections 1, 2 and 4. Provide a separate attachment describing the nominee’s professional, community and/or avocational achievements, and submit at least one paragraph summarizing why you consider the nominee to be outstanding and/or distinctive. (NOESA URL - http://www.nesa.org/atf/cf/%7B36763F02-217C-488B-9B8B-E6189599245B%7D/NOESA%20NOMINATION%20FORM11.14.17.PDF)

Second, the Boy Scouts of America Council Alumnus of the Year Award is the Scouting Alumni Association’s highest council recognition. The award was established to recognize alumni of the Boy Scouts of America who, over a sustained period of time, have used the skills and values they learned through their association with Scouting to make significant and long-lasting contributions to their local communities through their careers, avocations, and Scouting. A BSA alumnus includes anyone positively and personally impacted by the BSA—former Scouts, family members of Scouts past and present, community leaders, and the millions of Americans who benefit from Scouting in their communities every day.

The Blue Ridge Council’s prior recipients of the BSA Council Alumnus of the Year Award include Russell Smart and King Dixon. To make a nomination, please complete the following form: https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/alumni/pdf/542-963_WB.pdf

All nominations must be received by Friday, August 17th, 2018, and submitted to:

Michael.Prachar@scouting.org
OR
Michael Prachar
Nominations Committee
1 Park Plaza
Greenville, SC 29607
Welcome to The Legacy - the premier event of Southern Region Area 5 Venturing. The 6th annual Legacy event is hosted by the Blue Ridge Council VOA at Camp Old Indian, in Travelers Rest in South Carolina. LEGACY 6 will take place Friday September 21 through Sunday September 23, 2018.

Legacy brings together young men and women from Area 5 and beyond for a weekend of camping, competitions, high adventure, fun, and fellowship.

Legacy has grown to be a nationally recognized Venturing event attended by the national president of Venturing and other key Venturing leaders.

Tuesday, October 16, 2018 - 6:30pm
Hyatt Regency Downtown

Join us for an evening of fellowship and fun as we hold our annual action to benefit the Blue Ridge Council, Boy Scouts of America. With a variety of items including: Vacation Packages, Wine Tastings, Restaurant Certificates, Golf Packages, and more. All proceeds will go to help support scouting in the Blue Ridge Council! Silent auction with Live auction to follow.

Purchase Your Tickets Here
The “Cub Korner”

- Cub "Kabinet" will meet next on Wednesday, August 29th, 2018 at the BRC Service Center to discuss Cub Scout Planning. RSVP to the contact information below.
- Exciting plans and events coming up! Ideas, needs, and information request are always welcome. Please feel free to contact our Cub Scout Vice-President at...

  davidcsurrett@gmail.com  
  or  
  (864)710-3152

Safety Moments

Safety Moments are exactly what the name implies: opportunities to prepare for an activity, review safety measures, and report incidents correctly. Topics of this new series include incident reporting helps, high-adventure safety, weather-related safety, summer activity, and campout checklist.

Learn About All Of Them Here

Aquatic Safety

Learning to swim and engaging in aquatics activities have been core to the Scouting program. More than 1.5 million aquatics-related merit badges have been earned by Boy Scouts since 2009. The BSA has also been a leader in promoting and providing training in aquatics safety. For at least 80 years, checklists have been in place to make sure those aquatic experiences are positive ones.

Learn More About Aquatic Safety Here

New Member Coordinator Position

Sustaining strong membership in a unit depends on engaging youth and their families in a welcoming manner. If you are interested in serving as a New Member Coordinator or for more information click HERE!

On May 1, 2017, the Blue Ridge Council moved to 100% online advancements.

Learn more HERE

Prepared. For Life.
Join us for a week of Adventure at Camp Old Indian!

With over 80 merit badge opportunities, and more coming this summer, Camp Old Indian provides Scouts with a traditional camp experience while also offering high adventure activities! Check out the new Callahan Mountain Adventure for your Exploration Merit Badge! For more information contact Traci.Bridwell@scouting.org.

- 2019 Camp Old Indian Registration
- 2018 Summer Camp Photos
- 2018 Leaders Guide
- Camp Old Indian Map
- Smoke Signals

Scoutmaster Summit

September 29th, 2018 @ 2PM

Camp Old Indian

During the OA Fall Fellowship the Blue Ridge Council would like to invite all Unit Leaders, Webelos Leaders, Venture Advisors, Scoutmasters and their Senior Patrol Leaders to attend the Program Summit at Camp Old Indian. This event will preview Camp related topics such as: The Meritbadge Program, High Adventure Program, and Special Camp Programs for 2019 Summer Camp. Let’s get ready to kickoff the 95th Anniversary of the Blue Ridge Council!
Friends of Scouting is our annual fundraising campaign that supports our Scouts and adult leaders. Funds not only help with financial assistance for our Scouts and families but also go to our great programs at Camp Old Indian!

In order for us to continue the excellence you expect out of Scouting, we need your help. Our goal is 100% participation. We are kicking off our 2018 Friends of Scouting Campaign and we hope you will join us! You can donate to the 2018 FOS funds below.

**Friends Of Scouting**

As a thank you, anyone who gives at least $25 per month to Scouting will be given a Clemson or South Carolina patch for your child’s uniform!

**Get your patch for this great year of Carolina sports!**

Your gift will make a difference. The Blue Ridge Council serves thousands of youth and adult volunteers in 8 counties throughout the Upstate of South Carolina. Living their lives by the Scout Oath and Law, these individuals know the value of duty to God, Country, and helping other people at all times. Through our Chartered Partners and under the leadership of a diversity of adult volunteers, Scouts are trained to be the leaders of tomorrow. Ask yourself this question. What does the Scout Slogan, “Do a Good Turn Daily”, mean to you? Your gift to Scouting is your Good Turn that will enable Scouts today and, tomorrow the opportunity to continue to do their good turn for America.

The Power To Shape The Future  
….Is You.
Have you checked out The Greenville Scout Shop yet? It’s packed full of great stuff that you’ll need for your Summer of Scouting! Stuff like tents, handbooks, the NEW Camp Chef cooking line, and did we mention Leatherman knives and multi-tools.....plus a ton of other items to help you BE PREPARED!

*Uniform Bottoms include: Blue Shorts, Blue Skorts, Blue Switchback Pants, and Blue Capri Pants
Offer does not include Green/Tan Webelos, Boy Scout, or Leader Uniforms or Venturing Uniforms.
The BSA has announced bold, wide-ranging updates to its Youth Protection program as part of an ongoing effort to protect young people from child abuse. This starts with an enhanced online Youth Protection training course all volunteers and professionals must complete.

Even those Scout leaders who took the previous version of Youth Protection training must log into My.Scouting.org and complete the updated Youth Protection course. You have until Oct. 1, 2018.

The updated course will cover topics like bullying, neglect, exposure to violence, physical and emotional abuse, and child sexual abuse. As of June 1, 2018, all adults who will be present at a Scouting activity for 72 hours or more must register as volunteers and complete a background check and Youth Protection training. This includes parents, merit badge counselors and any other adult who will be there for an extended time.

The BSA is serious about fighting child abuse, and you’re an important part of that fight. Thanks for your vigilance and dedication.

Find Out More About The Online Youth Protection Training

Wood Badge

September 14-16, 2018
October 12-14, 2018

Every Scout deserves a trained leader!

Wood Badge has been developed for all Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scouting and Venturing leaders as well as council and district leaders. Who should attend? YOU should attend! Wood Badge continues today as the gold standard for leadership training in Scouting. Do you want your unit to operate more effectively? Is it important for you to know how to work well with parents and leaders? Would you like to experience first-hand what it takes to operate a boy-led troop? Wood Badge is designed to provide you with those experiences and much, MUCH more.

Register Today!
# 2018 Executive Committee

## 2018 Executive Committee Officers

The Blue Ridge Council would not be able to do so many amazing things for the youth in our community without the help of so many great volunteers and leaders. Below you will find the Executive Committee Officers for the 2018 Council year.

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