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Scout Night at Chuck E. Cheese’s!

October 30th (TONIGHT!) 3pm - 9pm & November 6th, 3pm - 9pm

Chuck E. Cheese’s
253 Congaree Road
Greenville, SC 29607

Join the Blue Ridge Council for a special Cub Scout Night at Chuck E. Cheese’s! Not only will any new Scout Registrations receive 30 free tokens, but 15% of sales will go directly to benefit Scouting Programs in the Blue Ridge Council. We can’t wait to see you there!

(Click to Print or Coupons Will Be Available At Event)
Rechartering & YPT

The window for Charter Renewal officially opens November 1st and is due by December 31st, 2018. The chartering process is one of the oldest traditions in all of Scouting history. It is the formal document that certifies the agreement between a Charter Partner (an organization that agrees to utilize Scouting as a part of its service to youth and community outreach) and the Boy Scouts of America, setting expectations for the quality of program to be delivered to the Charter Partner’s youth population. The charter renewal process ensures continuity of a unit’s program, advancement and activities for youth as well as continuity of service and tenure records for youth and adult advancement and recognition. This process is something to be taken very seriously, executed thoroughly and conducted in a timely manner according to the schedules in this handbook.

More information on the Resources page of the Blue Ridge Council Website.

Updated Youth Protection Training

True youth protection can be achieved only through the focused commitment of everyone in Scouting. It is the mission of Youth Protection volunteers and professionals to work within the Boy Scouts of America to maintain a culture of Youth Protection awareness and safety at the national, regional, area, council, district, and unit levels. Youth Protection Training (YPT) must be taken every two years. If a volunteer’s YPT record is not current at the time of recharter, the volunteer will not be registered. Units should not wait until charter renewal to ensure compliance. Failing to ensure compliance now will undoubtedly make unit charter renewal more difficult.

BSA National YPT Website
Popcorn and Nuts

Are you a member of the “Top 20” Seller Club!?

The Top 20 Scouts who sell the most popcorn/nuts in the Council will earn access to an exclusive “Top 20” Seller VIP Clemson Experience! The Scout and one parent who qualify will earn a private tour of the Allen M. Reeves Football Operations Complex at Clemson University immediately following Clemson Day. Plus, you’ll gain all the things that come from the $2,500 and $750 Clubs!

*Top 20 ranking is based on sales of popcorn/nuts (Show & Sell, Take Order and Online for popcorn and Show & Sell and Take Order for nuts) with a $3,000 minimum to qualify.

**The Top 20 is ranked by all Scouts in the Council, not broken down by Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, etc.

Click Here to fill out your information before October 31st and see if you are a Top 20 Seller Club Scout!

Clemson/Carolina Day!

Scouts and their families can attend a Clemson or Carolina Sports Clinic. Scouts will participate in sports activities with student athletes! Scouts who sell at least $750 will also receive a limited-edition Clemson or Carolina-Boy Scout baseball hat and have their hats autographed by student athletes!

*Baseball hat is available to $750 sellers only. There will be an additional “family” hat available for $20 to pre-purchase for those who don’t qualify for Clemson or Carolina Day hats. For units that qualify for $15,000 in sales, only $750 sellers from that unit will receive a hat.

**Carolina Day is coordinated by the Indian Waters Council.

Get signed up for your Clemson or Carolina Day Here!

Check out The Council Popcorn Page Here
Blue Ridge Council

95th Anniversary Celebration and Second Century Society Reception

Poinsett Club

November 2, 2018
5:30 PM - 7 PM

Complimentary Invitations for Second Century Society Members and Premier Level Founder’s Club Members.

- Historical presentation and recognition of Past Council Presidents
- Recognition of Second Century Society members
- Recognition of Founder’s Club members
- Presentation of commemorative patch and plaque

Blue Ridge Council Founder’s Club

- Special, limited and individually numbered edition of 100 collector patches for $250 premier level Founder’s Club members along with name engraved on permanent plaque
- All premier level Founder’s Club members ($250 and up) will receive complimentary admission to the Anniversary Celebration reception on November 2.
- Commemorative edition patches for supporting level Founder’s Club memberships

*All proceeds from Founder’s Club membership to benefit Blue Ridge Council Scouting programs*

Click Here For Founder’s Club Membership and Anniversary Celebration

A Special Thanks To
The 2018 BSA Sports, Entertainment, and Travel Auction

Tuesday, October 16, 2018
Hyatt Regency Greenville

On Tuesday, October 16th, the Blue Ridge Council held its annual Sports, Entertainment, and Travel Auction and it was a complete success. An evening filled with over 150 guests supporting Scouting through fun, fellowship, amazing items, and a golf cart raffle. Through our Support-A-Scout donations alone we are also able to provide Scouting and camping experiences for as many as 40 Scouts. We would like to thank everyone that attended and all that helped make this possible. Thank you!

Golf Cart Raffle!

Congratulations to Mr. Robin Foster for winning the 2018 BSA Auction Golf Cart Raffle. Robin Foster not only won the raffle but has also donated the Golf Cart to Camp Old Indian. Thank you for your support and congratulations once again to Mr. Robin Foster!
Camp Old Indian

Cub Family Weekends

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**

UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING AND

THE NEW POW WOW

Earn your Degree in Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, or Venturing!

January 5th, 2019

Easley First Baptist Church - 300 E 1st Ave, Easley, SC 29640

Whether you are new to the program or a veteran of many years, the University of Scouting provides interesting courses in any aspect of the Scouting program. Adventure and leadership training for Adults, Elective courses applicable across all Scouting programs, and Advancement and Program Operation courses are awaiting you at the University.

**REGISTRATION COMING SOON**
October was filled with fun events for Cubs and their families. We hope you had the chance to attend on of our Cub Family Weekends or experience the Cub Family Fall Festival that took place this past weekend!

The NEW Pow Wow (Joined with University of Scouting) will take place on January 5th, 2018 at Easley First Baptist Church. Registration coming soon.

A GIANT THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF that have made 2018 a year of fun and learning at our various camps and events!!! Exciting plans and events coming up! If you have any ideas, needs, or information request you can always freely contact our Cub Scout Vice-President at...

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

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

Weather-Related Safety

Robert Baden-Powell once said the definition of the Scout motto Be Prepared is this: “A Scout must prepare himself by previous thinking out and practicing how to act on any accident or emergency so that he is never taken by surprise.” Baden-Powell also advocated that young men spend a lot of time learning in and about the out-of-doors, as he said, “The open-air is the real objective of Scouting and the key to its success.”

However, we still need to be aware of our surroundings and their changing conditions, including what is happening with the weather.

Learn More About Weather-Related Safety Here
The 2019 Blue Ridge Council Banquet

The Blue Ridge Council would like to cordially invite you to an evening of celebration and fellowship as we honor many of our outstanding leaders, volunteers, and the Eagle Scout Class of 2018.

The 2019 Blue Ridge Council Banquet will be held on Thursday, February 7, 2019, 6:30pm at Buncombe Street United Methodist Church, in Greenville.

Click Here To Register!

Early Registration—now through January 19, 2019 - $26
Regular Registration—January 20 - February 8, 2018 - $31

2019 PATRON DINNER

Tuesday, March 5th, 2019

THE BLUE RIDGE COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA is proud to recognize the honorable Richard W. Riley, Jr., Senior Partner of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP, with the Good Scout Award. Join us to help honor Dick Riley at this special occasion. Your attendance will also support Scouting and upwards of 9,000 youth served in the Upstate!

Title Sponsor

GREENVILLE HEALTH SYSTEM
Nominations are being accepted for the Silver Beaver Award for the Blue Ridge Council.

Silver Beaver Award Nominations

The Silver Beaver Award was established in 1931 and is presented for distinguished service to young people within a local Boy Scouts of America Council. It is the highest National award which may be presented by a local council. A recipient must be a registered adult member of the Boy Scouts of America.

Annually, volunteers nominate men and women who are doing an outstanding job as Scouters for the Silver Beaver Award. These nominations are reviewed by the Silver Beaver Award Selection Committee each year, and the most outstanding nominees are selected to receive this special recognition.

The committee welcomes all nominations and encourages you to recommend those Scouters you believe are worthy of this high honor. All nominations must be **RECEIVED no later than 7:00 pm on Tuesday, December 4, 2018.**

If you have any questions regarding the Silver Beaver Award nomination process please contact Michael Thompson, Silver Beaver Award Selection Committee Chairman, at Thompson1994@msn.com.

Register For The 2019 Council Banquet HERE!

Click **HERE** for the current Silver Beaver Award nomination form.

All nominations must be submitted to:
Logan.Holloway@Scouting.org or
Logan Holloway
Silver Beaver Award Selections Committee
1 Park Plaza
Greenville, SC 29607
Attention To All Executive Board Members, Advisory Board Members, Members at Large, & Charter Organization Representatives.

The Annual Business Meeting of the Blue Ridge Council, Boy Scouts of America will be Tuesday, December 4, 2018, 6:00 PM at the Scout Service Center, 1 Park Plaza, Greenville, 29607.

The Annual Meeting of the Blue Ridge Council shall be for the purpose of receiving annual reports of the executive board, officers and various committees; electing members at large, associate and honorary members of the local council, National Council members, regular members of the executive board and officers of the corporation; receiving and approving financial statements showing the financial position of the corporation from the most recent complete fiscal year; and transacting other business as may come before the meeting.

The Council President, with the approval of the Executive Board, has appointed the Nominating Committee. Active members of the Blue Ridge Council may make recommendations of possible nominees to the committee for consideration. All recommendations shall be made in writing at least 30 days prior to the meeting and directed to the Nominating Committee at the Council’s address.

Please RSVP your attendance to Mike Butler at mike.butler@scouting.org by Friday, November 30, 2018.

Mac McLean, Council President
Mike Butler, Scout Executive
NESA SCHOLARSHIP WINDOW IS NOW OPEN!

If you are an Eagle Scout looking for scholarships for post-secondary education (including vocational trade schools), the NESA scholarship window is now open. You must review the NESA Scholarship webpage prior to applying. The link to the scholarship application is in the "HOW TO APPLY" section of the NESA Scholarship webpage (Eagle Scouts will find the application link in Steps 3 or 4, depending on if you have applied in a prior year).

The deadline for submissions is 11:59 p.m. on October 31.

NESA WORLD EXPLORER WINDOW NOW OPEN!

If you are an Eagle Scout between the ages of 18 and 27, you may now apply for a chance to be a part of the 2019 World Explorers Program. Review the NESA Fields of Study webpage and select the opportunity most applicable to YOU! (Application links are contained within each opportunity.)

The deadline for submissions is 11:59 p.m. on October 31.

ADVANCEMENT TRAINING

Area 5 Advancement Chair Carol Haines is setting up this training in 2019. All interested in Scout Advancement are welcomed, particularly, District Advancement chairs and their unit advancement chairs. Details are being developed and will come in a later Blue Ridge Council Newsletter, The Scouter, and on the BRC Training site.
We are very excited to announce that Josh Hipps has been selected to serve as the Council’s Program Director effective November 1, 2018. In his role as the Program Director, Josh will help guide the effective delivery and growth of Scouting across the entire Council. He will provide direct leadership and support to the implementation of year-round Council camping operations, promotions, and programs. This includes supervision and direction of summer camp operations, Cub Scout camping activities, and family camping programs. He will also guide the Camp Ranger in the maintenance and upkeep of the Council camping facilities to include Camp Old Indian, Camp White Pines, Camp Carroll Brown, and Camp Arrowhead and direct Service Center facility operations and maintenance. In addition, he will provide leadership to Council training programs and the Order of the Arrow.

Josh is a proud graduate of Clemson University with a degree in Environmental and Natural Resources. Josh has been serving as the Camp Ranger for Camp Old Indian for the past four years. Prior to becoming the Camp Ranger in 2014, Josh served as the District Executive for Long Cane District, and on the staffs of Philmont and the Northern Tier High Adventure Base. He has also served as the Camp Director for Camp Old Indian.

He is an Eagle Scout and a former Lodge Chief for Atta Kulla Kulla Lodge.

Please join me in congratulating Josh in his new role for the Blue Ridge Council.

Fluor Field is searching for volunteers to help with set up, clean up, and activities during the 2018 SC Veterans Upstate Salute on Sunday, November 11th. Volunteers must be at least 13 years of age. Join us Sunday, November 11th, at Fluor Field at the West End, to show support of our Nation’s Veterans with a free, family-friendly event featuring Fireworks, Aerial Flyovers, Paratroopers, and a special concert by The Charlie Daniels Band. If interested, please contact Katie Batista at Katie.Batista@GreenvilleDrive.com or (864) 335-0056.
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

This past weekend at Camp Old Indian we held the 1st Annual Cub Family Fall Festival with over 150 Youth and Adult participants enjoying a weekend of Pumpkin Painting, Flag Football, Tractor Hay Rides, and much much more! Check out the Blue Ridge Council Facebook to see even more photos from this past weekend. We are already excited for next year!

Blue Ridge Council Facebook
Friends of Scouting

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.
Sew guess what. The Greenville Scout shop can sew your patches on for just $3 per patch! Need a hemming? They can also hem for only $10! So come check out the Greenville Scout Shop where you’ll find everything you’ll need to BE PREPARED!

*Usual 2-day turnaround*
# 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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