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We are excited to announce Kyle Jones as the new Oconee & Pickens District Executive! Kyle will start with our Council on Monday, October 1.

Kyle is originally from Arlington, TX. He is an Eagle Scout and a graduate of Texas Tech University. He is moving to Easley from Sylva, NC where he has been a raft guide at the Nantahala Outdoor Center for the past year.

**Phone Number:** (817) 718 - 6128

**Email:** Kyle.Jones@scouting.org

We are very proud to announce that Mike Prachar has been selected as the new Assistant Director of Support Services for the Circle Ten Council headquartered in Dallas, Texas effective November 1. This is a tremendous recognition of Mike’s accomplishments and abilities. The Circle Ten Council is one of the largest and most respected Boy Scout Councils in the country and Mike will become an integral part of their senior leadership team.

Mike has served as the Director of Support Services for the Blue Ridge Council for nearly 3 years and has been on our staff for nearly 5 years. Prior to his current role, Mike served in the Indian Waters, National Capital Area, Mecklenburg County and Piedmont councils. Mike has extensive experience in camping operations and Scouting programs, as well as a successful record in guiding field operations and membership programs. He is an Eagle Scout and Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow.

Please join as we congratulate Mike on his new responsibilities and thanking him for his service to the Blue Ridge Council!
On Your Marks... Get Set... GO NUTS!!! It’s officially Poptober and the Blue Ridge Council Popcorn & Peanut Sale is nearing it’s final laps but there is still time to win this race! You can still sign up for Popcorn so you can earn your way to camp and win some Grand Prizes with these delicious snacks. Great for gifts, trails, or just to treat yourself. PLUS, if your Unit is not selling you can now sell as an individual Scout!

Want to sign up? Contact Robin.Mullinax@scouting.org or call the Council Office at (864) 233-8363 and ask for Robin!

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!
Scouting in Auction

The 2018 BSA Sports, Entertainment, and Travel Auction

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

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.

Exclusive Opportunity!
This year at the 2018 Auction you can enter for a chance to win your own GOLF CART! Only $50 per ticket! Purchase your tickets fast because only 200 tickets are available!

Purchase Your Raffle Tickets Here

Purchase Your Tickets Here
Blue Ridge Council
95th Anniversary Celebration and Second Century Society 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
Cub Family Weekends are right around the corner! Throughout 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
**The “Cub Korner”**

- **CUB FAMILY WEEK-ENDS** - Oct. 5-7, 12-14, 19-21
  - all need staff members - contact Mike Prachar at the Service Center to volunteer.

- **LIONS DAY AT CAMP OLD INDIAN** - Sat., Oct. 13, 10am-2pm, a special day just for Lions and their adult partners - activities and lunch included - $18 per Lion "pair" of Cub and partner - register on the Council online system

- **NEXT DAY CAMP PLANNING MEETING** - Wed., Oct. 17, 6:30 p.m. at Service Center

- Cub "Kabinet" will meet next on Thursday, Oct. 18th, 2018 at the BRC Service Center. RSVP to the contact information below.

- **THANKS TO ALL OUR GREAT DISTRICT CUB DAY CAMP AND RESIDENT CAMP STAFFS for a wonderful summer of fun and learning at our various camps!!!** 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

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**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**

**Family Camping**

There are two appropriate camping experiences for Cub Scouts: family camping, organized by the council, and pack overnighters. Family camping, along with resident camping, is another timeless outdoor experience that involves Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, or Venturing program elements in an overnight setting. It requires that two or more family members attend, including at least one BSA member, to count as family camping. Youth Protection policies still apply, but of course parents are responsible for the supervision of their children.

**Learn More About Family Camping Here**
Silver Beaver Nominations

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
OPPORTUNITIES FOR EAGLE SCOUTS

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.
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

The Blue Ridge VOA (Venturing Officers Association) hosted Legacy 6 at Camp Old Indian September 21-23 hosting 300 Scouts and Scouters. Legacy brings together young men and women (ages 14-20) from Southern Region 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. The Blue Ridge VOA would also like to thank all of the staff that helped support Legacy. Earning an evaluation score from the participants of 8.5 out of 10 stars.
Family 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.
What are you waiting for!? The Scout Shop is packed full of great stuff that you'll need for your Summer of Scouting! Stuff like tents, handbooks, knives, plus a ton of other items to help you BE PREPARED!

Join us for our Camping 101 Event on October 20th and save 20% on your camping gear when you spend $100 or more!

*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 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.

**President**
Mac McLean

**Commissioner**
Dr. James Blake

**VP-Administration**
Harry Bolick

**VP-District Operations**
Mickey Stokes

**VP-Cub Scouting**
David Surrrett

**VP-Finance**
Dannie Newell

**VP-Membership Growth**
Matthew Delk

**VP-Program**
Fred Hyslop

**VP-Exploring**
Capt. J. H. Thompson

**VP-Outdoor Adventures**
Russell Cann

**VP-Endowment**
Bruce White

**VP-Facilities**
Everett Baker

**VP-Risk Management**
Robin Foster

**VP-Development**
Dave Brenner

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Lee Dixon

**Asst. Treasurer**
Bubba Fennell

**Legal Counsel**
Lindsay Smith

**Asst. Treasurer**
JB Garrett

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King Dixon

**Audit Committee Chair**
Russell Smart

**Immediate Past President/Board Dev. Chair**
Michael Thompson

**NESA/Alumni Chair**
Phillip Kilgore

**Scout Executive**
Mike Butler