

TOP CLOUDS: 4.1.21 edition

An online edition of this Apache District Newsletter can also be found @ <http://www.mccscouting.org/smoke-signals>

Apache Roundtable for Thursday, April 8, 2021, 7:00 p.m. - On schedule.

Agenda is posted at <https://www.mccscouting.org/apache-roundtables>

Brady Drummond-Ryan, bradydryan@gmail.com

Apache Roundtable Commissioner

On Schedule - Eagle Project Proposal Reviews, Thursday, April 8, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

In-person and virtual reviews of Eagle Project Proposals are available.

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 6828 Old Reid Road, Charlotte, NC 28210

Scouts should follow instructions for scheduling posted at

<https://www.mccscouting.org/eagle-scouts>, then Project Review Information,

2021 Camp Card Sale

The 2021 Camp Card Sale launched on January 30. Camp Cards, sales envelopes, tracking sheets are available at the Scout Shop.

Please contact Brian Sweeney, Hornets Nest District Director and 2021 Camp Card Adviser, for details.

Key Dates

April 9 SALE ENDS! Unit account settlements begin. All cards and money must be turned in! Units turn in Leaders' Tracking Form. For every 20 cards that a Scout Sells, the Scout is entered into the Grand Prize Drawing. One Scout will win.

April 16 Last day to receive 50% commission.

April 17 Commission reduces to 40%.

April 18 Units may settle their accounts at the Council Service Center on or before this date.

April 19 Grand Prize Drawing

April 23 Commission reduces to 25%.

April 30 Commission reduces to 15%.

May 7 No commission.

The Grand Prize Drawing winner will receive a youth annual pass to the US National Whitewater Center (USNWC), valued at \$189.

Recruiting Ideas for Your Unit

Recruiting is tough right now with no access to traditional CMS schools, many charter organizations with closed buildings, and families justifiably skeptical of in-person meetings. The following ideas are for your Unit to leverage now (and in the future!):

Nextdoor.com – promote what your Scouts are doing, when and where you meet.

Facebook – if you don't have a Unit page, that's fine, many HOA's or neighborhoods have a page where you can promote what your Scouts are doing, when and where you meet.

Charter Org News – ask your Charter Org to promote what your Scouts are doing in their news or bulletins. Have them share on their Social Media channels.

Local School Principal & PTA – do you know the Principal and/ or PTA where most of your Scouts come from? Now is the time to build and foster those relationships. Cleanup around the school, take pictures and have them post on their Social Media channels.

For more information or ideas, contact Apache Membership Chair Andy Waligowski at

andy.waligowski@gmail.com

Bryan on Scouting Blog, January 21, 2021

"Before you meet, make sure you screen for COVID-19"

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2021/01/21/before-you-meet-make-sure-you-screen-for-covid-19/>

This article includes 2021 updates and links about COVID risk management.

Cub Scout Meetings – Where Do We Go?

If your Charter Org is closed, you can still meet outside. Now is a great time to keep the outing in Scouting. Meet at public parks – Town or County parks are open. If you can't have traditional Den Meetings, meet as a Pack and let the Scouts learn Scout skills – some may be advanced or repeats, but get them outside and have them bring a friend!!

For more information or ideas, contact Apache Membership Chair Andy Waligowski at andy.waligowski@gmail.com

Cub Scout leaders

These resources may be helpful to planning Cub programs:

<https://www.sgcbasa.org/files/29281/Lion-Leader-Parent-Guide-pdf>

<https://www.sgcbasa.org/files/29282/Tiger-Leader-Guide-pdf>

<https://www.sgcbasa.org/files/29283/Wolf-Leader-Guide-pdf>

<https://www.sgcbasa.org/files/29284/Bear-Leader-Guide-pdf>

<https://www.sgcbasa.org/files/29285/Webelos-Leader-Guide-pdf>

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2018/10/05/den-leader-guides-cub-scout-leader-book-available-in-print-and-digital-formats/>

These Cub Scout Adventures video resources can help your next den meeting:

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2020/08/25/these-cub-scout-adventures-video-resources-can-help-your-next-den-meeting/>

Merit Badge Information

Current merit badge requirements:

<https://www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/advancement-and-awards/merit-badges/>

Optional merit badge workbooks: <http://usscouts.org/meritbadges.asp>

Scheduled Merit Badge Courses

Merit Badge Saturdays at Belk Scout Camp – On-line registration and payment are open for Environmental Science, Fish and Wildlife Management, Nature Merit Badge courses.

Links to Merit Badge Guide, information, on-line registration, and payment are live at

<https://mccscouting.doubleknot.com/event/merit-badge-saturdays-2021/2778528>

NEW – Spring Camp on Friday-Saturday-Sunday, April 9-10-11, 2021, at Camp Grimes

Links to a Spring Camp Guide with schedule, merit badge options, pre-event merit badge homework, on-line registration, and payment are open at

<https://mccscouting.doubleknot.com/event/spring-camp-2021/2778926>

Schedule Your Own Merit Badge Courses

Climbing Merit Badge

Scuba Merit Badge

<https://www.mccscouting.org/merit-badge-info>

BSA Conservation and STEM Award Information

<https://www.mccscouting.org/advancement>

Opportunities for Service Hours and Eagle Projects

“Guidelines for Scout Community Service and Conservation Projects with Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department” are posted at

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1upktRobptxVtIUwnVHgSnYL_EszT5QzR/view?usp=sharing

Information on volunteer opportunities is posted at

<https://www.mecknc.gov/ParkandRec/Volunteer/Pages/volunteer-opportunities.aspx>

ADVANCEMENT NEWS:

Advancement Update: Extensions Beyond Age 18

Local councils have authority to grant limited extensions of time to complete Eagle, Quartermaster, or Summit requirements. More information is available at

<https://www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/advancement-and-awards/resources/>

Updates for Rank Advancement/Camping Requirements in COVID-19 FAQ

BSA National has added temporary changes to rank requirements.

<https://www.scouting.org/coronavirus/covid-19-faq/>

How to conduct a board of review through videoconferencing

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2020/03/16/how-to-conduct-a-board-of-review-through-videoconferencing/>

The Mecklenburg County Council Advancement Committee has endorsed and approved Boards of Review conducted through videoconferencing.

Digital Safety and Online Scouting Activities

<https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments/digital-safety-and-online-scouting-activities/>

Volunteers Needed – Eagle Projects and Eagle Boards of Review

The Apache Advancement team seeks volunteers to participate in Eagle Project Proposal Reviews and in Eagle Boards of Review. For more information, please contact Apache Advancement Chair, Dean Elledge at apache.advancement@gmail.com.

Eagle Application Packets with Complete Merit Badge Advancement Records Requested

When Scouts present their Eagle application packets to the Council office to seek scheduling for the Eagle Boards of Review, please include a current Scoutbook or other advancement report so that the Board can process an immediate Palm recognition request at the time of the Board.

For further Advancement information, please contact your Apache District Advancement Chair or visit <https://www.mccscouting.org/advancement> or <https://www.mccscouting.org/eagle-scouts>

Eagle Board of Review Questions

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2012/09/14/20-questions-to-ask-at-your-next-eagle-board-of-review/>

Tools for Eagle Projects

Charlotte ToolBank provides inexpensive access to tools for group projects.

<https://charlotte.toolbank.org/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GWqwzlkJWv8>

Scouts and units may also borrow tools from Belk Scout Camp for service and conservation projects.

Aquatics News Save the Dates

Saturday, June 12, Cub Day Camp Swim Tests at Belk Scout Camp

Saturday, June 19, 11 AM to 4 PM, Paddle Craft Safety training at Camp Grimes Waterfront

Saturday, June 26, WAC Swim tests at Belk Scout Camp

Registration is open for

Saturday, May 14, **CPR training** and Friday-Saturday, June 4-5, **BSA Lifeguard training** at Belk Scout camp plus advanced classes via Zoom at

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScmpDVbZIOOnRBY1j0nu9voTRAVGpHGwHuwCov0NjBLWCKaSTg/viewform?usp=sf_link

Scout youth age 15 and older with strong swimming skills can qualify to serve as BSA Lifeguards at the Belk pool and can volunteer for Cub Day Camp and WAC and can assist with aquatic merit badge days. BSA Lifeguards must be 16 or older to serve as lifeguards at the waterfront at Camp Grimes.

From the Pond

Fishing and Fly Fishing Merit Badge Counselor Guides

<http://bsacai.org/news/9270910>

[Fishing MB Counselor Guide](#)

[Fly Fishing MB Counselor Guide](#)

FISH ON!!!

Outing in Scouting

Long distance trails in NC

<https://www.charlotteobserver.com/news/state/north-carolina/article239278463.html?intcid=connatix>

Subscribe for free printable USGS Topo maps

<https://www.natgeomaps.com/trail-maps/pdf-quads>

Bring Dutch oven cooking and baking to your Scouts:

Intro to Dutch Oven Cooking

<http://www.bsatroop540.com/camping-recipes/>

Dessert recipes

<http://www.bsatroop540.com/camping-recipes/dessert/>

Scouting at Home

Merit badges for social distancing: 58 badges Scouts can complete at home

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2020/03/20/merit-badges-for-social-distancing/>

Movies for Merit Badge Advancement

<https://www.mccscouting.org/merit-badge-info>

Remote Scouting

<http://www.scoutshare.org/>

APACHE DISTRICT NEWS AND EVENTS:

Attention: Lion, Tiger, Wolf, and Bear Dens

Apache Spring Cuboree at Camp Grimes

April 16-18, 2021, Friday-Saturday-Sunday

NEW - Philmont Trek for Female Scouters and Scouts

Want to have a Philmont adventure this summer? Female Scouts and Scouters can join Troop 111's 12 day trek, June 13 to 25, 2021. Please contact Towner Blackstock at townerblackstock@gmail.com, 704-491-4010.

COUNCIL NEWS AND EVENTS:

Scout Shop News

As of 2020, BSA has stopped printing physical copies of traditional official paper merit badge pamphlets. Our Mecklenburg County Council Scout Shop will continue to sell these pamphlets as long as they are available. Scouts may purchase current digital versions for Kindle devices on Amazon.

Attention: Lion, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos Dens

2021 Cub Day Camp at Belk Scout Camp

Monday, June 14 through Friday, June 18 -- Cub Day Camp is open to Cub Scouts from all districts and councils.

<https://myetowahdaycamp.wixsite.com/daycamprocks/program>

Attention: Bear and Webelos I and II Dens

2021 Webelos Adventure Camp (WAC) at Belk Scout Camp

Session 1: Thursday, July 8 through Sunday, July 11

Session 2: Sunday, July 11 through Wednesday, July 14

Session 3: Thursday, July 15 through Sunday, July 18

Unit registration for Webelos Adventure Camp is now open. Please visit the [WAC webpage](#) on the council website under the Camping menu where you can find information for registering your Scouts to "escape the great indoors" this summer. Registration is open to Scouts from all districts and councils.

Webelos Adventure Camp 2021 – Unit Registration Continues

Unit registration for Webelos Adventure Camp continues and schedule selection begins Thursday, April 1st. Visit the [WAC webpage](#) on the council website under the Camping menu. There you can find all the information you need to sign up your Scouts to "Escape the Great Indoors" this summer.

Do you have what it takes to serve on WAC staff? Think you can be a hero to a young Scout? We are still accepting Scouts and Scouters to join us this summer at Belk Scout Camp for Webelos Adventure Camp.

If you think you would be a positive addition to our camp staff complete a Camp Staff Application: [WAC Staff Application](#).

Session 1: Thursday, July 8th through Sunday, July 11th

Session 2: Sunday, July 11th through Wednesday, July 14th

Session 3: Thursday, July 15th through Sunday, July 18th

For more information, contact the WAC Camp Director, Sasha Timkovich
WACDirector@GMail.com

Attention: AOL Dens, Scouts BSA Troops, Summer Camp Staff

2021 Camp Grimes Dates and Deadlines

<https://www.mycampgrimes.org/dates.phtml?ver=5>

September 15, 2020	Staff Employment Applications Accepted
January 15, 2021	Troop Camper Deposits Due - \$20.00 per Scout
April 15	Campership Applications Due
March 26	Online Merit Badge Registration Begins @ 8:00 am
May 1	Balance of Camp Fees Due
May 5	OA Beaver Days Registration Deadline
May 14-15-16	OA Beaver Days
June 6 - June 11	Staff Week
June 13 - June 19	Week 1
June 20 - June 26	Week 2
June 27 - July 3	Week 3
July 4 - July 10	Week 4
July 11 - July 17	Week 5

Exploring

Exploring is for young men and women 10 to 20 years old (beginning 6th grade). Engaging with career professionals, middle and high school students gain unique, real-life opportunities to experience varied career choices aiding in a more informed decision about future careers. Below is the 2021 Career Exploring survey link to share with 8th through 12th grade students. By completing this survey, students will receive an invite from participating businesses if there is a career interest match.

<http://bit.ly/ExploringSurvey2021>

If you have a 6th or 7th grade student, or perhaps you would like to serve as a career mentor, or if you have any other questions, please send email to Monica.Zeleznik@Scouting.org

National Scouting

Scouting magazine news

The print version of *Scouting* magazine ended with the May-June 2020 issue. A new *Scouting* magazine app is available now in the App Store and Google Play. Archives of old editions are at <https://scoutingmagazine.org/backissues/> and at <https://texashistory.unt.edu/explore/collections/SCOUT/>

BSA High Adventure Base reservations

Northern Tier

Check out Summer, Winter, and Autumn Adventures at <https://www.ntier.org/>

Philmont

<https://www.philmontscoutranch.org/registersection/>

Some crew slots for 2021 are open. Registration is open for Individual Treks, Ranch Hands, STEM Trek, OA Trail Crew, Trail Crew, Roving Outdoor Conservation School, Rayado, Family Adventure Camp, Training Center Conferences, NAYLE, Philmont Leadership Challenge, PhilBreak, Autumn Adventure, Volunteer Vacation.

Florida Sea Base

Check out 2022 Sea Base information and registrations at <https://www.bsaseabase.org/>

Summit Bechtel Reserve

Check out High Adventure, Scout Camp, Training and Conferences at <https://www.summitbsa.org/>

International Scouting

<https://www.scouting.org/international/events/>

July 17-28, 2021, Central Florida Council International Scouting Jamboree

<https://jamborette.wordpress.com>

July 18 to 22, 2022, 16th World Scout Moot, hosted by Scouting Ireland. Young people aged between 18 and 26 years on the first day of the Moot are eligible to attend as participants.

“Moot” is an Old English word and means “an assembly held for discussion.” For Scouts, a Moot is once-in-a-lifetime World Scouting experience!

The Moot is a high-adventure World Scout Jamboree for young adults, but on a smaller, more intimate scale. You will experience new cultures and make lasting friendships while participating in a variety of activities designed by the host country.

A Moot is unlike a Jamboree in that the first half of the program takes place on the trail at locations all around Ireland. You will have the opportunity to see beyond the typical tourist experience and encounter the real Ireland, its culture and people.

The second half of the Moot is where all the participants, after five days on the trail, come together in a jamboree-style gathering. The location for this gathering will be the magnificent medieval Malahide Castle and Gardens, parts of which date to the 12th century. The site lies close to the village of Malahide, nine miles north of central Dublin.

BSA will select 275 young people to represent the BSA in Ireland. Participants must be willing to fully commit to the Moot experience, immerse themselves in Irish culture, join an international patrol and collaborate with 5,000 other young leaders committed to creating a better world by ending poverty, fighting inequality, addressing climate change, seeking to achieve the UN’s Sustainable Development Goals.

Opportunities for service on the staff (International Service Team aka IST) are open for 75 adults over the age of 27. These individuals will work with Moot program and logistics teams to execute this incredible event.

Please click here for more information and to begin the application process:

<https://www.scouting.org/international/world-scout-moot/>

Before applying, please confirm that you have a current paid registration with the BSA. If you have an expired BSA member number associated with your my.scouting account, you will not be able to register.

Please email BSAconingent@gmail.com with any questions.

August 1-12, 2023, 25th World Scout Jamboree, Saemanguem, South Korea

2023 World Jamboree Host Site

<http://www.2023wsjkorea.org>

2023 USA World Jamboree Contingent Site

<https://wsj2023.us>

European Scout Voluntary Program
<https://www.scouting.org/international/ecamp/>

Participants must be 18 to 30 years old and must commit to serve on camp staff in Europe for at least 6 weeks.

Kandersteg International Scout Centre
<https://www.kisc.ch/>

International BSA Blog
<https://www.scouting.org/international/international-adventure/>

ORDER OF THE ARROW – APACHE CHAPTER

New and Old—Where To Go Camping Guide 2021

The Catawba Lodge *Where To Go Camping Guide* is alive and well at
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ndu4241iIDZnpVFMplqDohSRGk7pYDkq3indesA22wQ/e/dit?usp=sharing>

The *WTGCG* is a large file (275 pages) with all kinds of information related to camping opportunities, in local camps, parks, state and national forests, High Adventure Bases, national and international events, by way of car camping, backpacking, and float trips.

Link your Lodge Email to your Personal Email

Some of you may not know how to access your Lodge email account, or may be unaware that you have one. You can find instructions on forwarding all of your Lodge emails to your personal email account at

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BwrGkVVw08OudS1xSHZlb1RSS1U/view?usp=sharing>

Please follow these instructions to keep up on Lodge Events.

The Catawba Lodge Executive Board (LEB) established dates for Lodge events in 2021 at its January meeting:

March 20 OA Spring Fellowship at BSC
April 17 OA Workday at MSR
April 23-25 OA Conclave at Camp Daniel Boone
May 14-16 OA Ordeal & Beaver Day at MSR
June 4-6 OA Ordeal at BSC
September 10-12 OA Ordeal at BSC
October 1-3 OA Fall Fellowship at BSC
December 3 OA Banquet at BSC

OA High Adventure Opportunities

Summer, 2021
OA Canadian Odyssey (Northern Tier)
OA Ocean Adventure (Florida Sea Base)
OA Summit Experience (Summit Bechtel Reserve)
OA Trail Crew (Philmont Scout Ranch)
OA Wilderness Voyage (Northern Tier)
<https://oa-bsa.org/high-adventure>

OA, Southern Region, 2020 National Leadership Seminars (NLS) (for youth)

<http://southern.oa-bsa.org/nls/>

Sept 24-26, 2021, Orlando, FL
Nov 12-14, 2021, BSA National Office, Irving, TX
Dec 10-12, 2021, Greensboro, NC

OA, Southern Region, 2020 Developing Youth Leadership Conferences (DYLC) (for advisers)

<http://southern.ou-bsa.org/dylc/>

Sept 24-26, 2021, Orlando, FL
Nov 12-14, 2021, BSA National Office, Irving, TX
Dec 10-12, 2021, Greensboro, NC

TRAINING NEWS:

<https://www.scoutshop.org/trained-leader-strip-280.html>

https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33066/33066_Training_Awards_WEB.pdf

“Trained” Patches for Youth Leaders

Scout youth leaders who have completed Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops (ILST), den chiefs (Scouts, Sea Scouts, or Venturers) who have completed Den Chief Training, and Venturing youth leaders who have completed the Crew Officers Orientation or Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews (ILSC) may wear the Trained Leader emblem with their badge of office.

Den Chief training is available online at

<https://www.scouting.org/training/youth/den-chief-training/>

ILST and ILSC are available online at

<https://www.scouting.org/training/youth/>

Youth should print their certificates to present to unit leaders for facilitate record keeping.

Youth Training

SEALS (for youth) and **IOLS** (for adults) courses at Belk Scout Camp are planned for the second weekend of March and for the second weekend in November on an ongoing basis.

<https://sites.google.com/site/bsamcctraining/>

SEALS - Scouts Excited About Leadership Skills [for youth] at Belk Scout Camp

<https://sites.google.com/site/mccseals/home>

Next SEALS course: Friday-Saturday-Sunday, November 12-14, 2021

National Youth Leader Training (NYLT, AKA “Top Gun”) at Belk Scout Camp

Online registration is open for NYLT scheduled for June 27-July 2, 2021 at

<https://sites.google.com/view/nyltopgun>

National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) at Philmont

<https://www.philmontscoutranch.org/ptc/nayle/>

National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) at Summit

<https://www.summitbsa.org/programs/training/seven-day-conferences/nayle/>

Adult Training

Apache District

Inching forward: Now 48% of Apache District leaders are trained to position, up from 38% in August. How are you making this a priority in your unit?

Upcoming recorded, live and virtual training opportunities (including shooting sports and archery):

Scouts BSA:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yd_7Ep4QZqHsRkaBs8F4j51DV0IIFen9/view?usp=sharing

Cub Scouts: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/10CbENPRtljctr7K49VnBILKQvMGw-kuH/view?usp=sharing>

For more information, contact Towner Blackstock: townerblackstock@gmail.com, 704-491-4010.

Upcoming Mecklenburg County Council Training Courses

For information on upcoming Cub Leader Training and on Scouts BSA Leader Training, please go to <https://sites.google.com/site/bsamcctraining>

OLS (Outdoor Leadership Skills): May 22-23, 2021

<https://sites.google.com/site/outdoorleaderskillsmcc/home>

BALOO (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation) [for adults] at Belk Scout Camp

BALOO is an introduction to the Cub Scout outdoor program.

Information on future courses will be posted at

<https://sites.google.com/site/bsamcctraining>

Wilderness First Aid

<https://sites.google.com/site/bsamcctraining>

MCC Wood Badge S5-415-20 at Belk Scout Camp

<https://sites.google.com/site/bsamcctraining/>

COPE and Climbing Instructor Level 1 training

April 30-May 2, 2021 at Belk Scout Camp

<https://sites.google.com/site/bsamcctraining/>

Philmont Training Center 2021 Conferences [for adult volunteer training]

BSA Family Adventure Camp

<https://www.philmontscoutranch.org/ptc/>

Recognize Scouter Excellence

“Trained” Patches for Adult Leaders

Adults leaders can find requirements for earning their “Trained” patches at

https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/training/pdf/Trained_Leader_Positions.pdf

along with references to online training courses available at <https://my.scouting.org>

Another resource is <https://www.scouting.org/training/adult/>

Online District Committee training is available.

Units, recognize your uniformed leaders by presenting them “Trained” patches and the following awards. These knots require training to position and tenure:

- Den Leader Award

- Scout Leader's Training Award (Any leader)
- Scouter Key (Cubmasters and Scoutmasters)
- Unit Leader Award of Merit (Committee submits for Cubmasters and Scoutmasters)
Requirements and tracking forms: <https://boyscouttrail.com/square-knots.asp>

Square Knots

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2017/02/17/scouting-service-award-combines-five-awards-into-one-cool-new-square-knot/>
<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2019/07/17/square-knot-rankings-what-are-the-most-and-least-awarded-square-knots/>
<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2012/11/20/in-the-loop-a-guide-to-square-knots-and-how-to-wear-them/>
<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2011/03/04/alumni-knot/>
<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2017/03/15/how-to-tell-if-your-scouting-square-knot-is-upside-down/>
<https://scoutingmagazine.org/issues/0901/a-knots.html>
<https://www.scouting.org/awards/awards-central/community-organization-award/>
<https://www.scouting.org/awards/awards-central/lifesaving-meritorious-action/>
<https://www.scouting.org/awards/hornaday-awards/>
<https://www.scouting.org/awards/awards-central/religious-emblems/>
<https://www.scouting.org/awards/religious-awards/>
https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-879_WB.pdf
<https://nesa.org/for-eagle-scouts/awards-and-recognition/>

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Apache District Webpage

<https://www.mccscouting.org/apache>

Like the Apache Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/ApacheDistrict>

Apache Twitter Account

Be sure to follow us on twitter [@ApacheDistrict](https://twitter.com/ApacheDistrict)

Mecklenburg County Council

<https://www.mccscouting.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/MeckBSA/>

<https://www.instagram.com/mccscouting/>

Like the Mecklenburg County Council Merit Badge Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/MCCBSAMB>

Like the Mecklenburg County Council STEM Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/MCCBSASTEM/>

BSA National

Scouting Wire Volunteer Newsletter - The Official Blog of the Scouting Movement.

<http://scoutingwire.org>

Bryan on Scouting is the official blog of Scouting magazine, a Boy Scouts of America publication. The blog post is sent as one email per weekday. To subscribe, please go to <https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/contact/>

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If you have any news or events or links that you would like to share Apache District leaders, please send that information to stutucker@aol.com for editing, publication, and distribution. Please include your contact information for follow up questions.

To Subscribe to Mecklenburg County Council Backpack e-newsletter:

Please go to <https://www.mccscouting.org/>

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Unsubscribe: Just send an e-mail with "Smoke Signals Unsubscribe" in the subject line to al@nedrich.com from the e-mail address you want unsubscribed.

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