

Dear Nathaniel,

This is the May and June issue of the Blue Ridge Council e-newsletter, "The Scouter." In it you will find information about upcoming events and other things relating to Scouting in the Upstate of South Carolina.

Cub Scout Day Camp

2011 Cub Scout Summer Day Camps are just around the corner! Sign up now!!!



Cub Scouts have the opportunity to work on Belt Loops, shoot BB guns, shoot Bow & Arrows, swim, make crafts, play games, make new friends and have Fun!!! (check the 2011 Brochure for your District's planned activities)

This is a great opportunity for your son to enjoy Cub Scouts for a whole week. Our Day Camp leaders are dedicated to giving your Scout the best program possible and sending them home exhausted! They will talk about it for months afterwards.

Each District has a week in June, 2011 set aside for Day Camp. You are encouraged to sign up for your Districts Camp, but if you find

Calendar

May

- 5 - Executive Board Meeting
- 7 - OA Workday
- 8 - Mother's Day
- 30 - Memorial Day (Office Closed)

June

- 4-10 - COI Staff Week
- 5-10 - NYLT
- 14 - Boy Scout Golf Classic
- 12-18 - COI Week 1
- 19 - Father's Day
- 23 - Executive Board Meeting at COI
- 19-25 - COI Week 2
- 26-July 2 - COI Week 3

District News

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one that is more convenient for you, feel free to sign up for it instead. Simply mark the camp on the registration form that you wish to attend, and pay the fee associated with that District Camp. The dates, times and locations for each District are listed in the 2011 Brochure.

Also, you are invited to come take part in the week. If you can volunteer for one day, or the whole week, Day Camp needs your help! Contact your Day Camp leaders listed in the 2011 Brochure.

[Click Here](#) for the 2011 Day Camp Brochure/Registration form

Journey To Excellence

Journey to Excellence is the Boy Scouts new Council Recognition program. It is designed to encourage and reward success and measure the performance of our units, districts and councils.

Please visit the [National JTE website](#) to see what you are already doing, and what you need to be doing to qualify as a Gold level Unit.

To log your service hours [Click Here](#)

Journey To Excellence Passport Challenge



Some of you may have already heard about the Journey to Excellence Passport Challenge.

If you don't know about it, here's the run-down:

Do Scouting stuff -> Earn the 1st part of a 3 part

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Do more Scouting stuff -> Earn a 2nd part of a 3 part patch

Do even more Scouting stuff -> Earn the 3rd part of a 3 part patch

[Click Here](#) for more information

5th Annual Boy Scout Classic



Join us for the 5th Annual Boy Scout Classic at Keowee Falls.

Tuesday, June 14th, 2011.

[Click Here](#) for more details

2011 Camp Old Indian Summer Camp



Boy Scout Resident Camp - 2011 is turning out to be a banner year for Camp Old Indian! We are as full as we have ever been!

If you have not paid your deposits yet, please get them in as soon as possible.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the 2011 COI Leader's Guide

[CLICK HERE](#) for the most current Camp Reservation Chart

[CLICK HERE](#) for the T-Shirt Order Form

Cub Scout Resident Camp

The Sky is the Limit! 2011 Cub Scout Resident Camp at Camp Old Indian August 3-6

(early bird sign-up before July 6)

Webelos Scouts (rising 4th and 5th graders): 4 days and 3 nights of adventure at Camp Old Indian!!! Webelos and parents will tent camp Thursday night at Camp White Pines and will enjoy a dinner cooked over an open fire. They will also have a campfire program. So, don't forget your tent!

Cub Scouts (rising 1st, 2nd & 3rd graders): : Enjoy 3 days and 2 nights of adventure at Camp Old Indian!!!

Activities: Take a refreshing dip in the lake. Maybe do some fishing while you are there. Learn to shoot an arrow straight and to hit your mark with a BB gun. Try your hand at crafts, cooking and other activities while having fun and working on Cub Scout or Webelos Scout achievements. The week will end with a campfire program on Friday night and a camp-wide games and recognition program on Saturday morning.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

BMW Charity Pro-Am



The 2011 BMW Pro-Am will be played May 19-22, 2011 at Bright's Creek Golf Club, The Carolina Country Club and Thornblade Club. The BMW Charity Pro-Am is the only tournament on the Nationwide Tour where amateurs and celebrities are grouped with Nationwide Tour professionals in a four-day better-ball competition over three courses.

General Admission tickets are only \$25 and includes access to the tournament course of your choice. Club House Admission tickets are only \$50 and includes access to the club house. You don't have to be a golfer, or even know anything about the game to get into the action. There are plenty of ways to get your company, clients, friends, family and Scouts involved in this extraordinary event.

[Click Here](#) for the BMW Pro-Am website

[Click Here](#) for volunteer registration details.

Training

Monthly Leaders Round Table Meeting

All Leaders are invited to attend their Districts monthly Round Table. Round Table is a great way to keep up with upcoming events in your District, learn new things and fellowship with other leaders. Check your District page for the day your Round Table meets. [CLICK HERE](#) to find your district page, or use the navigation in the district news window on the right side of this email.



Cub Scout Leader Specific Training

While this class has been updated and put online, there is still benefit to sitting down in a classroom with a live teacher and learning from experience. If you would like to get trained, here is an opportunity for you. May 25 and 26. [CLICK HERE](#) for more details.

2011 Family Friends of Scouting

The Character 2011 Family Membership Enrollment process is the annual opportunity for a parent to support the big picture of Scouting in the Upstate by making a financial pledge to the Blue Ridge Council. Our intention is to reach every parent through presentations at Pack, Troop, Team and Crew gatherings from December 2010 through March 2011.

The pledge you make towards Scouting makes a dramatic impact on our ability to continue upkeep and improvements to Camp Old Indian. The money raised goes to support At-risk, under-served and multi-cultural markets. It helps the Blue Ridge Council to provide Scouting to boys who otherwise wouldn't be able to afford it.

And, you can get patches for your donation!

Founders Club - \$100 per month for 1 year (\$1,000)

Recognition:

- Limited Edition Founders Club Shoulder Patch (gold milar border)
- Two Limited Edition Shoulder Patches (one silver milar border, one red border)
- Round Family Enrollment Patch



Character Partners - \$33 per month for 3 years (\$1,000)

Recognition:

- Two Limited Edition Character Partner



Shoulder Patches (one silver milar border, one red border)
· Round Family Enrollment Patch

\$29.60 per mo. for 1 year (\$296)

Recognition:

- One Limited Edition Character Partner Shoulder Patch (red border)
- Round Family Enrollment Patch



\$14.80 per month for 1 year (\$148)

Recognition:

- Round Family Enrollment Patch



National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)



National Youth Leadership Training is the pinnacle of Boy Scout training for youth. NYLT offers training in advanced Scout skills and teaches the eleven points of leadership.

Don't wait! There are a few more available spaces for this course. [Click Here](#) for more details and registration form.



Order of the Arrow

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[Click Here](#) to see the 2011 Dixie Awards

2011 Officers and Advisors

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- Tyler White - Vice Chief of Administration.....vca@akk185.org
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- Tim Hunt - Lodge Advisor.....advisor@akk185.org

Chad Duggins - Staff Advisor.....staff@akk185.org

LODGE CALENDAR

May 7 - OA Work Day at Camp Old Indian

June 19-25 - OA Adviser Training Conference - Philmont Training Center

July 20 - Lodge Cookout and Vigil Call-Out at Camp Old Indian

July 24-30 - SummitCorps - The New River Experience - Beckley, WV

August 1-6 - Indian Summer - Ridgecrest Conference Center, Ridgecrest, NC

September 16-18 - NLS - T Bar M Resort & Conference Center, New Braunfels, TX

September 23-25 - Fall Fellowship at Camp Old Indian

November 4-6 - NLS / NLATS - Florida FFA Leadership Training Center, Haines City, FL

WORK DAY AT COI

Come up to Camp Old Indian on Saturday May 7 for a great day of service. All Scouts and Scouters are invited to attend as we work on camp improvement projects. Wear your work clothes, bring a bag lunch, and plan to join us for a day of service.

LODGE COOKOUT

This year's Lodge Cookout will be Wednesday July 20 at Camp Old Indian. All lodge members and their families are invited to attend. We will have BBQ and all the fixings. Look for registration forms to be mailed and posted on the website soon - www.akk185.org

VIGIL CALLOUT & RECEPTION

The 2011 class of Vigil Candidates will be announced at Camp Old Indian following the Wednesday evening program on July 20. Current Vigil members, the new candidates, and their families are invited to a reception following the Callout in the Dining Hall.

NOT GETTING THE NEWS?

If you are not getting the lodge newsletter or e-mails about upcoming events, we may need to update your contact information. Download the Dues Form from the Resources & Forms page from the lodge website akk185.org. Fill in all the fields and send in with your dues (if needed).

5th Annual Patron Dinner



The 5th Annual Patron Dinner, featuring Coach Sam Wyche, was a great success!

We had over 1,100 in attendance and raised \$416,000 through the dinner process.

Thanks to all those who attended and pledged support to the Boy Scouts. We would like to extend a special thanks to those members of the Steering Committee and Table Captain's for all your hard work. We couldn't do it without our great volunteers!

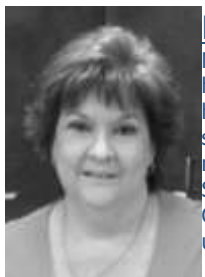
See you next year!

New Staff at Blue Ridge



Kay Borkowski

Please Welcome the newest member of the Blue Ridge Council staff, Kay Borkowski! Kay is our new receptionist and we are happy to have her aboard. She isn't new to Scouting though. Out of her 6 children she has 2 Eagle Scouts, 2 Girl Scout Gold Award recipients, 1 life Scout and 1 First Class Scout. She works on the Southbounder training team, organized a Venture Crew in 2009, and has worked on Pack Committees, and is currently on Troop 158 Committee as well as Advisor to Crew 725. She also works with the Council Venture Committee. She has been Scouting with the Blue Ridge Council since 1998.



Robin Mullinax

Most of you already know Robin, so join us in congratulating her for her promotion to the position of Finance Secretary! She has been with the Blue Ridge Council for nearly 11 years. She started working in the Scout Shop part-time and went on to be manager for several years. After national took over the Scout Shop she stayed on as the for another 2 years. In 2007 the Council asked her to be the receptionist where she has served until now.

The Blue Ridge Council, BSA serves 8 counties in the Upstate of South Carolina: Abbeville, Anderson, Greenville, Greenwood, Laurens, Newberry, Oconee and Pickens.

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