

TOP CLOUDS: 8-1-19

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**Happy August to our Scouting Friends and Family
From your Apache District Committee**

REMINDER - Apache District Adult Leader Roundtable, District Meeting, Eagle Project reviews and Apache Chapter Order of the Arrow meetings will take place at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church at 6828 Old Reid Road, Charlotte, NC 28210

No time changes.

THANK YOU - Many thanks to all the volunteers and staff who made our Apache District Day Camp, Webelos Adventure Camp, and Summer Camp a success. Our Scouts had a great time, and you helped provide experiences they will never forget. A special note of thanks to all the parents who drove our scouts to camp.

NEW - Recruiting & Membership

Reminder that **YOU** are in charge of your own recruiting. Council and Districts have led training on PIN updates, Social Media, and for 2019 there will not be a mailer and a dedicated Charter Org night.

Each Unit will pick their own night(s) during the week of August 26 for their Open House.

August Roundtable will be a chance to sign up for back to school nights and room to room. *Presuming CMS allows.* Apache District is asking that only 2 Units attend per school. While we understand many pull from various schools, there are also many schools where there is no representation, and our goal is Join first, your Unit second.

If you have any questions, want to help, contact Andy Waligowski – awaligowski@icloud.com or 843.822.0199.

Please don't keep us a secret

With all the new parents coming into our scouting family, please don't keep Smoke Signals, and the Apache District Webpage a secret. We welcome new subscribers and it is easy to do. Also, please share our Apache District

Help Us Spread the Word

Please help us by sharing these links:

Mecklenburg County Council

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

Apache District Webpage

<http://www.mccscouting.org/Districts/Apache.aspx>

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)

COUNCIL ITEMS:

NEW - "Mechanics Of Advancement – Scout To Eagle Scout Ranks"

A 4-Hour Training Course to be offered on advancement at the Fall Scouter Success Seminar – September 21, 2019 – CPCC Levine Campus – 8:00 am until noon. The first part is "Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook" – 8:00 am until mid-morning break. **Scouts who wish to know and understand the project workbook process are welcome.** The second part is from mid-morning break until noon. It will encompass the steps from Scout to Eagle Scout.

- Learn about the Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook and the process relating to it. **The Eagle Scout Project Workbook will be fully explained.**
- Learn about Boards of Review where participants will be instructed on how to properly conduct Boards of Review. The Eagle Board of Review will be fully covered.
- Learn the "nuts and bolts" regarding the steps that occur after a Scout thinks he has completed all requirements for Scout to Eagle Scout ranks.
- Learn what "being active" means for rank advancement which is most confusing.

Again, Scouts are welcome and encouraged to attend this course, especially from the 8:00 am until 10:00 am session covering the Eagle Scout Service Project.

To be presented by the Mecklenburg County Council Advancement Committee

DISTRICT ITEMS:

Membership Committee – WE WANT YOU!

Apache District NEEDS you. As the newly appointed Apache District Membership Chair, my goal is to ensure we cover all available programs – Boys, Girls, Adults, Cubs, Venture, Scouts BSA, Special Initiatives and retention/ cross over.

For more information contact Andy Waligowski – awaligowski@icloud.com

ADVANCEMENT:

Project Review Location

All, **effective June 2019**, all Eagle Project reviews will take place at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church at 6828 Old Reid Road, Charlotte, NC 28210. The reviews will continue to start at 5:00. We will provide more details as to room location, etc., as available.

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>

TRAINING:

NEW - Wilderness 1st Aid classes Spring/ Summer 2019

NOLS <https://www.nols.edu/en/coursefinder/courses/wilderness-first-aid-WFA/?state=NC#sessions>

2019 Sessions

Aug 24 -25 Raleigh, NC REI Outdoor School \$ TBA

- NOLS teaches for Council.

Center For Wilderness Safety approved by BSA <https://www.wildsafe.org/schedule/>

Dates Available: Sat. August 17 WFA Hunter's Creek Lodge Herndon, VA Cost \$199

Fall 2019

- September 14: BALOO -an online pre-requisite has been announced & posted on line. This is required before attending the practical @ Belk Scout Camp. This course is for Cub Scout Leaders.

- September 21: Scouter Success @ CPCC Levine Campus

- September 27-29: Wilderness First Aide @ Camp Grimes

for more info see link for flyer. https://drive.google.com/file/d/1XB-Jb6BOMfzXMUChTjlmX_yNvZM3Y1LP/view

to register go to <http://mccscouting.doubleknot.com/event/wilderness-first-aid-2019/2470172>

This course is for Boy Scout/ Scout BSA Leaders, & Venture Advisors

- November 9 & 10: Intro to Outdoor Leadership Skills @ Belk Scout Camp

NEW Woodbadge S5-415-20

- July 31 – August 2 (Weekend 1) & August 22-23, 2020 (Weekend 2)

Going forward:

- Wilderness 1st Aid will always be the last weekend of March, and September @ Camp Grimes

- SEALS & IOLS will always be the 2nd weekend of March & November

Training is also available online @ <https://my.scouting.org> They have CS, BS, Venturing, & Merit Badge Counselor training. The courses are broken down into modules.

If you have any questions, please contact Joanne White, Apache Training Chair @

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KEY APACHE DISTRICT DATES:

Adult Leader Roundtables

August 8 & September 12, 2019, Roundtable will take place at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church at 6828 Old Reid Road, Charlotte, NC 28210

Would you like to be added to the agenda, please contact Brady Drummond-Ryan, Apache Roundtable Commissioner @ bradyryan@gmail.com

ORDER OF THE ARROW:

IMPORTANT – NEW LOCATION FOR APACHE CHAPTER MEETINGS

The Apache Chapter meeting has moved to a NEW LOCATION!! We will be meeting at St. Vincent DePaul Church at 6828 Old Reid Road, Charlotte, NC 28210. We will continue to

gather @ 7:30 pm. Please plan to attend; there will be free pizza and drinks for all Arrowmen in attendance.

September Ordeal

Reminder to all Troop OA reps and Scoutmasters, the final opportunity for your Ordeal candidates to enter the Lodge is the September Ordeal – Friday, September 6-8 @ Belk Scout Camp. *Deadline for the September Ordeal is: midnight, August 28th.* Please register your Troop's Ordeal candidates @ <https://www.mycampgrimes.org/oaevents/oaevents.phtml?showevents>

IMPORTANT - Elangomats Needed!

The last Ordeal is coming up soon, and Apache Chapter is in need of Elangomats to lead that Ordeal. If you are interested in earning volunteer hours, gaining a deeper understanding of the Ordeal, (and getting a really cool patch), please contact Beau Seate bseate@carolina.rr.com

August Chapter Meeting

PIZZA IS BACK!!!!!! Our next Chapter meeting is Thursday, August 9th at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church (6828 Old Reid Road) @ 7:30 P.M. Please plan to attend, there will be free pizza and drinks for all Arrowmen in attendance.

THANK YOU!! – Chapter TeePee painting in July

We would like to thank all Arrowmen who participated in our annual TeePee painting project on July 11th. We laid out the new Chapter totem on the TeePee as well as finished the painting the “phases of the moon” sections on our TeePee. We would especially like to thank past Chapter Chief – Eliot McGinnis for his continue stewardship of this project!

NEW - MARK YOUR CALENDARS – October 2nd and 3rd

Chapter Arrowmen – we will be setting up the Chapter TeePee at Belk Scout Camp for Fall Fellowship on the evening of Wednesday or Thursday (October 2nd or 3rd). Once we have a definitive date from the Ceremony team, an email blast will be sent requesting 6-8 volunteers at Belk Scout Camp. This process takes about 1.5 hours and “many hands make light work” is very applicable for this effort.

Contact Information

If there are any Arrowmen that should be included in these notifications that are not currently, please let [Mr. Nedrich](#) or myself know so we can add them to the database. We hope to expand the Apache database even more in this new term of officers.

Link your Lodge Email to your Personal Email

I'm aware some of you may not know how to access your Lodge email account, or are unaware that you have one. Therefore, I put together a set of instructions on forwarding all of your Lodge emails to your personal email account! Please see the following Google Drive link for instructions-

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

Please follow these instructions to keep up on Lodge Events.

Thank you for reading!

[McNeill Jordan](#)
Chapter Secretary

To Submit a Notice:

If you have any information you would like to share with the district, please send that information to chris.m.1995@live.com and it will be sent to the team to be added. Please make sure you have your contact information included should there be any questions.

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