

## **Pack 618 Parents:**

Although more details will be forthcoming, please note the following events for calendar planning purposes:

1. **Spring Campout:** 16-18 MAY, Gettysburg, PA (see details below)
2. **National Pike District Cub Scout Day Camp:** 23-27 JUN, Howard County Fairgrounds

## **February Pack and Leader Meetings:**

### **1. Roundtable – 11 FEB @ 7:30 pm - Columbia Academy**

POC: Ken Ross (thesuperstitions@gmail.com)

- All scout parents and leaders are welcome to attend
- Breakout sessions will cover the March theme: “Litter to Glitter”

### **2. Leaders meeting – 14 FEB @ 7:00 pm – CCES, Pod 3**

POC: David Hall

- We need all den leaders & committee chairpersons to attend this meeting so we can coordinate the short and long-term schedule. The main focus will be the planning of our next Pack meeting in March.

### **3. Blue & Gold Banquet – 24 FEB @ 4:00 pm – Reservoir H.S. Cafeteria**

Meeting POC: Web 1s (Dan Murphy, Howard Sturman)

- Please visit the Pack 618 website to confirm attendance. The B&G organizers will provide guidance on what to bring and how much is needed (pot luck).
- Make sure to confirm with your scout's den leader completion of rank advancement requirements ASAP (No later than 15 FEB)

## **Short Term Calendar (FEB & MAR)**

### **1. Scouting For Food: 23 FEB AND 1 MAR @ 10:00 am CCES Parking Lot**

POC: David Hall

- Scouts will distribute 1,400 plastic grocery bags to households in the neighborhood, returning the following week (1 MAR) to pick them up.
- Please respond by 15 FEB if you are able to participate in this event.

### **2. Pack Swim Outing: 15 MAR @ 7:00—9:00PM Columbia Gym**

POC: Emad Elshafei

- Scouts will have exclusive use of the pool and can also earn the swimming belt loop

## **Long Term Calendar (APR & MAY)**

### **1. Pack Bike Hike: 26 APR @ 11:00 am – 2:00 pm – Start Point: Martin Road Park**

POC: **Volunteer Requested**

- We plan on doing a community service project to kick off this bike hike. We will then ride from Martin Road Park to Savage Mill and back. We will make arrangements for our younger scouts to return by vehicle.
- Scouts should bring their lunch and drink for the hike. We will relax at Savage Mill Park before returning to the start point.
- Please let your den leader know if you and your scout will participate in this event.
- For those that are interested in becoming the Point Of Contact for this event, please get in touch with your Scout's Den Leader, David Hall or Ken Ross. We will be happy to guide you through setting up and executing this event. It's a great way to participate in your son's Scouting experience!

**2. Spring Camp Out: 16-18 MAY** – Gettysburg, PA

POC: Victor Frazier

- Our first choice is to get a campsite reservation near Gettysburg National Battlefield Park. However, because there is far greater demand than supply of campsites, selection is determined by lottery drawing. If P618 doesn't 'win', we'll find a less crowded campsite in MD (TBD).

**3. We Remember: 23 MAY** – Baltimore National Cemetery, Catonsville 5:30-7:30 PM

POC: **Volunteer Requested**

- Join hundreds of fellow Baltimore Area Council scouts for the 21<sup>st</sup> annual flag planting and remembrance ceremony honoring our country's veterans and current military.

## Volunteer Requests/Open Positions

**1. Community Service Representative: Immediate**

POC for details: Cheryl Gramling

Estimated time commitment: 1 hour monthly primarily insuring assigned den provides coverage for Market Day as well as Spring and Fall cleanup of CCES stream, etc.

**2. Recruitment/Back to School Night: AUG 08**

POC for details: Cheryl Gramling

Estimated time commitment: several hours at beginning of the school year to promote P618 to interested families.

**3. Cub Scout Day Camp Coordinator: Immediate**

POC for details: Beth Sheppard

Estimated time commitment: several hours in MAR and APR '08 to coordinate scout registration and recruit adult volunteers for JUN 23-28 event.

## Other Issues

- 1. Pack Gear Storage** – We are currently in search of a storage location for our Pack's equipment. If anyone has an employer, church/synagogue, etc., that might be willing to provide a small storage space/facility, we would certainly like to hear about it. Our

current location is approximately 8' x 9' x 8' high, but we are looking at downsizing to a 5' x 5' x 8' facility if we can't find an alternate storage site. Your help would be GREATLY appreciated!!

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