

# The Patrick Henry Scout

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### **Cub Scout Spookoree Deadline Nears**

Ridgeway VA – Patrick Henry's Cub Scout Spookoree will be held the weekend of November 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> at Camp Lee Ford in Ridgeway. The Spookoree will take on a Harry Potter theme, as cub scouts and their families participate in a variety of games, activities, and achievements.

Space for this activity is limited. To secure a place for this year's Spookoree, you must register by **this Friday, October 21**. No registration applications will be accepted if they are postmarked later than this date.

We are looking forward to fun activities and a great family campout. Please direct questions to chairperson Jeanne Lawson at <a href="mailto:jtlawson@adelphia.net">jtlawson@adelphia.net</a> or John Meyer at <a href="mailto:johnkmeyer@yahoo.com">johnkmeyer@yahoo.com</a>

## **Popcorn Sales Continue**

Martinsville VA – There are only two weeks remaining to get out and sell that delicious Trail's End popcorn.

Remember that roughly one third of all popcorn sold goes directly to your units. Selling popcorn is the best way to earn money for your troop or pack that can go directly to the badges you wear, the money you have to pay for registration, even summer camp fees. We encourage everyone to continue the hard work that has been demonstrated thus far in the month, and keep selling that popcorn.

Please remember that the last day to sell popcorn is Monday, October 31. All orders must be placed electronically by November 4. If you are unfamiliar with the online ordering process or have questions about it, please contact John Meyer as soon as possible.

#### **Nighttime Fall Camporee Huge Success**

 $\label{eq:continuous_equation} Horsepasture~VA-Patrick~Henry's~Fall~Camporee~was~held~this~past~weekend~at~Joe~James'~farm~in~Horsepasture.~The weather could not have been better, and a great crowd attended to participate in the activities.$ 

This year's camporee was scheduled around nighttime activities. Friday night saw scouts playing laser tag, orienteering a compass course in the dark, observing the night sky, and walking the stealth trail to name but a few of the many activities. Saturday morning and afternoon gave the boys a chance to participate in any activities they missed Friday night, play soccer, softball, and volleyball, and to catch up on some needed sleep after Friday night's activities.

A big thanks goes out to Wimpy, who put on yet another great camporee. Be sure to pat Wimpy on the back for a job well done the next time you see him.

This year's winter camporee will be a "pack in" activity. No campers or trailers will be allowed in the camporee sites. Boys and leaders will pack in everything they need for the weekend, including tents, food, cookware, and sleeping bags. There will be a Klondike Derby, and the sleds can be used to aid in the gear transportation. We are looking forward to another great weekend this winter. Come join us.

#### **University of Scouting October 29**

Radford VA – University of Scouting will be held October 29 at Radford University. The registration fee is \$20 if you register before **October 19** and \$30 if you register later than that date. While it is encouraged that you preregister, you will be allowed to walk up and register on the 29<sup>th</sup>. Every scout benefits from trained leaders. Please plan on attending.

**Thought for the week:** Every year the National Eagle Scout Association awards one \$20,000 scholarship to a deserving Eagle Scout. This year's recipient is Mr. Jared Pruett from Collinsville. Congratulations to Jared, his family, and everyone who helped him in his scouting career.