

## **KV Newsletter, November 06, 2015**

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### **Good Morning Scouters!**

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#### **Kennebec Valley District Commissioners Meeting**

Wed, December 2, 6pm – 7pm at Pleasant Street United Methodist Church, Waterville, ME.  
(Usually scheduled for every 1st Wednesday of each month unless otherwise noted)

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#### **Kennebec Valley District Committee Meeting**

Wed, December 2, 7pm – 9pm at Pleasant Street United Methodist Church, Waterville, ME.  
(Usually scheduled for every 1st Wednesday of each month unless otherwise noted)

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#### **Kennebec Valley Roundtable**

Wed, November 11, 7pm – 9pm at Pleasant Street United Methodist Church, Waterville, ME.  
(Usually scheduled for every 2nd Wednesday of each month unless otherwise noted)  
Boy Scout Program: Winter Camping presented by Gearry Judkins  
Cub Scout Program: T.B.A.

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#### **K-Valley Chapter Order of the Arrow**

Wed, November 11, 7pm – 8pm at the **Alfond Youth Center**, 126 North St, Waterville, ME.  
Meeting to conclude at Pleasant Street United Methodist Church, Waterville, ME after Rock Climbing.  
Rock Climbing - \$5.00 per person. Youth, Please bring a written permission form from a parent or guardian.  
For more information, call Scott Adams at [\(207\) 968-2787](tel:2079682787)  
December activity - Christmas Caroling. More info later.  
(Usually scheduled for every 2nd Wednesday of each month unless otherwise noted)

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#### **Veteran's Day Parade**

As you know Veterans Day is coming up fast and I would like your help in spreading the word to other scout troops. Again as in the past the parade is on November 11th and it will start at 11AM at the American Legion parking lot in Waterville.

As I do not have any contact number for the troops would you please spread the word at the roundtable meeting etc.

Your help is greatly appreciated.

Carl Paradis  
Adjutant  
[amlegion5@ne.twcbc.com](mailto:amlegion5@ne.twcbc.com)

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### **Leader Training**

Who: Open to all Cub Scout leaders and parents  
When: Saturday, November 14, 8:00-4:00 (lunch provided)  
Where: St. Augustine Church Hall, 75 Northern Ave, Augusta  
Cost \$10 per person to cover lunch and printed materials  
Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) introduces Cub Scout leaders and parents to the skills needed to plan and conduct pack outdoor activities, particularly pack camping.

For more information, contact Pat Couture at 441-4077 or [pcouture@pack622.info](mailto:pcouture@pack622.info).

Registration form at <http://kvalley.pinetreebsa.org/documents/2015/11/kv-baloo-training-11-14-2015.pdf>

[We are also looking for units that would like to sponsor a training event in their area. Any unit interested, please contact Ricky Merrill at 931-7420 or email \[rmongoose@gmail.com\]\(mailto:rmongoose@gmail.com\).](#)

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### **Advancement News**

November 10- Eagle Scout Project Review in Lincoln County. Life Scouts can have their Eagle project reviewed by the Advancement Committee at 3 PM at the Waldoboro Town Office. Bring all of your Eagle Project Workbook materials. Questions? Contact Mr Mahaleris at [cmahaleris@gmail.com](mailto:cmahaleris@gmail.com).

November 12- Eagle Scout Project Review in Knox County. Life Scouts can have their Eagle project reviewed by the Advancement Committee at 3 PM at the Rockland City Hall. Bring all of your Eagle Project Workbook materials. Questions? Contact Mr Mahaleris at [cmahaleris@gmail.com](mailto:cmahaleris@gmail.com).

Boy Scout Rank Requirement Changes for 2016. There are numerous rank changes that will take place beginning January 2016. Some are minor but others- such as the new Scout Rank- are more significant. There is a transition period for 2016 as the program rolls in but all Scouts must use the new requirements by 2017.

Lots more details can be found at the following links:

[http://www.scouting.org/filestore/program\\_update/pdf/Transitioning\\_New\\_Requirements\\_2016.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/program_update/pdf/Transitioning_New_Requirements_2016.pdf)

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/2016BoyScoutRequirementsFAQs.pdf>

[http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/2016BoyScoutRequirements\\_8.14.2015.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/2016BoyScoutRequirements_8.14.2015.pdf)

BSA has a new Troop Leader Guidebook available. The web version is here:

[http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-150\\_Appendix\(15\)\\_WEB.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-150_Appendix(15)_WEB.pdf)

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### **Merit Badge College Update**

The Merit Badge college is in full swing to gather counselors. Many have been contacted and a few are looking at calendars, but we still need a few counselors for different badges being offered. Robotics, Communication, Programming (none in K-Valley), Chemistry and Space exploration are all needed and open.

Some that have been called on to be filled but no response as of yet: Communication(2nd class), Astronomy, Bugling and a bunch of others that are to get back to me this week....

We may have Aviation this time around but it will be a small class and very involved with one or two field trips.

If you have any questions or wish to sign up to teach a badge call Randy Hooper 377-6390.

Yours in Scouting Spirit,  
Randy Hooper  
SM Troop 604  
MC Pack 605  
K-Valley Merit Badge Coordinator  
K-Valley Member at Large

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Note: Newsletters go out every 1st, 2nd, and last Friday each month, except where I post a time change prior to an event like vacation, etc. All submissions for the newsletter must be sent to me by Thursday afternoon @ 3:00pm to allow me to put it together. Please make sure that you include your contact information with your submission so if there are any questions, people can contact you directly.

My email address is [peter.r.small.sr@gmail.com](mailto:peter.r.small.sr@gmail.com).