



## The Capitol District Blast - Updated 11/1/17

### **Committee Member Training - CANCELED Nov.11th**

The general committee training that was scheduled for Nov. 11th has been CANCELED. The training will be rescheduled in late Nov. or early Dec.

Instead, there will be a training for Venturing Committee Chairs ONLY on Nov. 11.

It will be held at the Scout Hut in Davidsonville from 8AM to Noon. The address is 3727 Queen Anne Bridge Rd; Davidsonville, Maryland 21035.

Contact Richard Healy [rhealy@mac.com](mailto:rhealy@mac.com) for information.

### **Girls in Cub Scouts**

This webpage set up by National explains the outline of the program.

<http://www.scoutingnewsroom.org/family-scouting/>

### **Some key points:**

Girls can join Cub Scouts this fall (date has not been announced) either with existing Packs forming all Girl Dens, or in newly chartered all Girl Packs. No existing Pack is obligated to accept girls if they do not want to. If an existing Pack sets up Girl Dens, then the Boy and Girl Dens would come together for a single Pack meeting.

Currently, we expect no Cub Scout program changes or differentiation between program for girls and boys.

Girls cannot join Scouting (as opposed to Cub Scouting) until the fall of 2019. They will join newly chartered girl-only troops. Girls will be able to earn the Eagle rank, but there may (or may not) be differences in the Girl Troop program. Co-Ed Troops are not being considered as of today.

### **Our advice to Units is:**

Troops--no advice. It is too far in the future and program differences are not yet clear  
Packs--girls use the same program, so if you are approached by Parents looking to get their daughters in the program

- 1) Tell them it starts in the fall and give them the date of you first Pack meeting.
- 2) Encourage the parents to join now, observe the appropriate den and get trained so they are ready in the fall. Yes their daughters can observe, but not be members yet.
- 3) Stress that you really need two female leaders for each female Den that is started (you will need at least one--push for a spare now).
- 4) If your Pack will not be starting Dens for girls, refer parents of girls who approach you to our membership chair Carl Drew for follow up.
- 5) If anyone asks about starting a whole new Pack for girls, refer them to the DE (Harrison Brooke - hbrooke@baltimorebsa.org or 443-573-2542).

**SIGN UP NOW!**



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