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To: Scout Executives
From: Noel E. Guzman, Commodore, Northeast Region - Sea Scouts
Brian Gray, Regional Director
Subject: SEABADGE (SB-17-MD-2013)

Seabadge is an advanced training experience for Sea Scout adult leaders and Committee Members at the unit, district or council level. The purposes of the Seabadge experience are:

1. Improve the understanding of leadership, management, and motivational skills among Sea Scout adult leaders.
2. Provide management, leadership, and presentation skills and tools to leaders so that they may use and share them with others in their day-to-day Sea Scout activities.
3. Use the skills and tools acquired at Seabadge to improve the quality of the Sea Scout program.
4. Encourage the development of lifelong contacts and sharing of resources by and between course participants and staff.

This training program is relevant for any Sea Scout adult leader at the ship, district, council, area or regional level.

The next Northeast Region Centennial Seabadge Conference (SB-17-MD-2013) is scheduled for Friday to Sunday, October 11-13, 2013, at Camp Round Meadow, Catoclin Mountain Park, Thurmont, MD. A fact sheet on Seabadge SB-17-MD-2013 is enclosed for your information.

Seabadge participants will be selected from nominees recommended by local ships and councils. Any registered Sea Scout leader active in his/her Sea Scout ship or council is eligible for nomination provided the following requirements have been met:

- Must be currently registered as a Sea Scout adult leader or BSA professional or Commissioner Staff working with Sea Scout ships.
- If a Sea Scout adult leader, must be actively involved in the Sea Scout program at least one continuous year prior to application.
- Completed Youth Protection Training, and Sea Scout Adult Leader Basic Training (or its equivalent). Also has taken "This is Scouting" (or New Leader Essentials).
- Obtain approval from their Flotilla or designee.

The course fee is \$195.00. Application and a \$75.00 deposit must be sent to the NER registrar Ms. Beth Parks, 313 South Union Avenue, Cranford, NJ 07016. It must be postmarked no later than midnight Sunday, September 1, 2013. Those not selected will have their deposit refunded and deposits are non-refundable after Friday, September 6, 2013 for participants who withdraw from the course.

Due to the high demand for the limited number of participant openings, your immediate attention is requested. Please copy and share with all Venturing professionals and Sea Scout volunteers. Thank you for your interest and support.

Seabadge SB-17-MD-2013 Course Director is Skipper Steve Nichols and he can be reached at **703 408 8247** or by e-mail at sailnichols@hotmail.com for all questions regarding Seabadge.



SEABADGE (SB17-MD-2013) APPLICATION

TYPE OR PRINT ALL INFORMATION IN BLUE OR BLACK INK.

PART 1, NOMINATION

I am pleased to nominate _____ to attend SB-17-MD-2013 advanced training for Sea Scouting leaders. I certify that this leader Meets all of the requirements listed on the SB-17-MD-2013 Fact Sheet.

Flotilla Commodore _____ Flotilla _____

OR

Ships Committee Chair _____ Council _____ No. _____

PART 2, APPLICATION (To be completed by nominee)

Name _____ Home Phone _____

Address _____ Bus. Phone _____

City/State/ZIP+4 _____ E-mail _____

Scouting Position _____ Ship _____

Occupation/Profession _____ Employer _____

Date Completed Sea Scout Leader Specific Training _____

Date Completed Venture Leader Youth Protection _____

Eagle Scout (YES / NO)

Sea Scout Quartermaster (YES / NO)

Education (Please circle)

High School
Graduate

College/University
1, 2, 3, 4

Post Grad.
5, 6, 7

Degree/Major _____

Please list Boy Scouting, Venturing and Sea Scouting adult experience on the next page of this application.

I have read the Seabadge Fact Sheet. If selected for participation in SB-17-MD-2013, I pledge to attend for the entire period and carefully prepare my advance assignments.

Signed _____ Date _____
(Applicant)

Mail this application, plus a deposit of \$75.00 check/money order made payable to "Liberty Flotilla NER" (Memo: SB-17-MD-2013) to: NER Registrar, Ms. Beth Parks, 313 South Union Avenue, Cranford, NJ 07016.

Applications must be postmarked by midnight, Sunday, September 1, 2013. Deposits are non-refundable after Friday, September 6, 2013 for participants who withdraw from the course. Those not selected will have their deposit refunded.



SEABADGE 17-MD-2013 FACT SHEET

Dates and Location

From: 4pm (1500), Friday, October 11, 2013
To: Noon (1300), Sunday, October 13, 2013

The conference will be held at **Camp Round Meadow, Catocin Mountain Park, Thurmont, MD.**

Objectives

Seabadge is an advanced training experience for Sea Scouting adult leaders and committee members at the unit or council level. The objectives of Seabadge are to improve:

- An understanding of the Sea Scouting program, its aims, methods, and program content.
- The leadership skills of Sea Scouting adult leaders and committee members.
- The management skills of Sea Scouting adult leaders and committee members.

This training program is relevant to both the traditional and more informal Sea Scouting program.

Qualifications For Participation

Applicant must have met the following requirements:

1. Must be currently registered as a Sea Scout adult leader or BSA professional or Commissioner Staff working with Sea Scout ships.
2. If a Sea Scout adult leader, must be actively involved in the Sea Scout program at least one continuous year prior to application.
3. Complete Youth Protection Training, and Sea Scout Adult Leader Basic Training (or its equivalent). Also has taken "This is Scouting" (or New Leader Essentials).
4. Obtain approval from their Flotilla or designee.
5. Willing to apply the skills and knowledge obtained through Seabadge to strengthen Sea Scout membership and unit programs.

Seabadge Content

Seabadge is a participatory experience. There will be intensive individual involvement of both the participants and faculty in seminars, workshops, role-playing, and discussion. The program includes sessions on: Sea Scouting aims and methods, ideals and traditions, instructional techniques, managing the program, communications, activities, ship's committee operations, leadership, team building and motivation, goal setting, planning, and recruiting youth and adults.

The course includes a weekend resident activity and an independent assignment, called a Rutter. The Rutter has four components: Application of the weekend training to your ship, help with long cruise planning, develops contacts to enhance your ship's program, and improve the quality of the Sea Scout program.

After attendance at the weekend training, and completion of the rutter, a certificate and pin will be presented to qualifying participants.

Quarters And Meals

Camp Round Meadow has bunkhouses for berthing. Each bunkhouse room has fourteen cots and a bathroom. One room will be designated for ladies, and the other rooms will be delegated for men. You must provide your own bedding. All meals will be served in the mess hall. The camp is handicapped accessible. There is ample free parking at Camp Round Meadow.

Gear List

Sea Scout working Khaki Uniform as prescribed in Sea Scout manual

Sea Scout dress white as prescribed in Sea Scout manual

Sea Scout Manual (current)
Extra change of underwear
Socks
Toilet Kit
Towel
Sleep Wear
Bathrobe
Jacket/coat
Sweater/fleece
Flashlight
Prescribed medication
Pen/Pencils
Bedding

Seabadge Cost

Seabadge 17-MD-2013 fee is \$195.00. A \$75.00 deposit must accompany the application. The balance is due on arrival. If selected, the deposit is nonrefundable after Friday, September 6, 2013. In the event that the nominee is not selected, the deposit will be returned. Transportation is the responsibility of the participant.

Dress

All participants will wear the Adult Work Uniform as described on page 21 in the 11th edition of the *Sea Scout Manual*, No. 33239. A course ball cap and nametag will be provided at check-in. Questions can be addressed to the Course Skipper.

Preparation

Each participant will be familiar with and bring to Seabadge the 11th edition of the *Sea Scout Manual*, No. 33239 available from your local council service center. Participants are encouraged to prepare a small display of local ships' programs, activities, techniques, newsletters, or publications. Printed material for distribution to other participants is welcome, but *must* be on white, 8-1/2 x 11, 3-hole punched paper. 40 copies should be provided.

Application

Each participant must complete Part 2 of the Seabadge Application. The Seabadge application and a deposit of \$75.00 made payable to "**Liberty Flotilla NER**" (Memo: SB-17-MD-2013) must be sent to:

Ms. Beth Parks
313 South Union Avenue
Cranford, NJ 07016.

Applications must be postmarked by midnight, Sunday September 1, 2013. If selected, the deposit is non-returnable after **Friday, September 6, 2013.** The deposit will be returned if you are not selected.

Questions

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