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## Come Enjoy The Philadelphia Zoo

Come enjoy the Philadelphia Zoo and earn your wildlife conservation belt loop and pin! Learn more about the environment and some of the animals that live in it. Learn more about this awesome event by clicking below

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## Silver Beaver and Venturing Leadership Award Nominations

The Silver Beaver Award is the highest national award presented by a local council to individuals for noteworthy service of exceptional character to youth. Each local council may present only a limited number of Silver Beavers each year, which makes this a very prestigious award for those whose record of service to youth is most outstanding!

The Venturing Leadership Award is presented by councils, areas, regions, and the BSA National Council to Venturers and adults who have made exceptional contributions to Venturing and who exemplify the Venturing Code and Oath.

The deadline for nominations is October 15, 2010.

[Silver Beaver Award Nomination](#)  
[Venturing Leadership Award Nomination](#)

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## Scouting for Food 2010 - 100 Cans for 100 Years!

### Scouting for Food

Last year we recorded **1.8 million items** of food. This year it is our goal that every Scout collects **100 CANS for 100 YEARS** and as a council collect **4 million cans**. This collaborative effort involves Channel 6 WPVI-ABC, several local scout councils and dozens of food pantries

with the food collected benefiting people in need in our own communities.

### **Thanksgiving Day Parade**

Then after the hard work of collecting the food is complete, we will march together in the Holiday Parade. Parade goers will bring even more cans of food to the parade. It is a great opportunity to celebrate our accomplishments as well as great public relations and a fun experience for the youth in your Packs, Troops and Crews.

[Scouting for Food and Parade Registration](#)

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## **Council Venturing President Vacancy**

Due to the fact that our very own Council Venturing President Anne Coglianesi has been selected to serve as the Northeast Region Venturing Vice President of Communication we now have a vacancy at the position of Council Venturing President.

Anyone interested in serving as the Council Venturing President should go to the venturing website at [www.colbsa.org/venturing](http://www.colbsa.org/venturing) and download an application. Applications are due to the council office by Tuesday, October 26 and elections will take place at the November VOA meeting on November 2. Please contact Venturing Staff Adviser John Bickel at [jbickel@colbsa.org](mailto:jbickel@colbsa.org) if you have any questions!!

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## **BeAScout.org Has A New Face!**

BeAScout.org, a tool developed by some of our local councils (including the Cradle of Liberty), has been adopted as the National Online Recruiting Tool by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America! Over the next few months, Scout Units across this nation will begin using this tool to speak directly to the parents and guardians of future Scouts.

We would like to thank you for your use of beAScout.org since it was released and your constant feedback as to how we could improve this tool. We have passed on many of your comments to the National Council and are proud to announce that this newly released tool adds some highly desired features to this already powerful recruiting tool.

We invite you to explore this new release of the beAScout.org tool by first reading our "[Resource Guide](#)." There are some steps that you will need to go through before you are able to access your leads. If you experience any problems with this new tool, please contact your District Executive for additional assistance.

[BeAScout.org Resource Guide](#)

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## Youth Protection Training

As many of you begin preparing for rechartering, make sure that your Youth Protection Training is up to date. To check this, log into MyScouting and select E-Learning and make sure you have a green circle next to Youth Protection Training. Or, the council registrar can check your training records in the computer system. Youth Protection training is required for all BSA registered volunteers, regardless of their position (including committee members and Chartered Organization Representatives), and it must be renewed every two years.

[Read The BSA's Complete Youth Protection Training Policy.](#)  
[Letter Regarding The New Policy And With Instructions For On-Line Training](#)

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## Cub Scouts 2010

The delivery of the Cub Scout Program has received a significant update in order to assist in an increase in advancement recognition, a simplification of the planning of programing, and improve the overall enjoyability of the Cub Scout program for all. As a piloted program for the past 5 years, and currently implemented by over 9,000 units, feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. Retention rates have increased by 20%, den leaders have felt more confident and prepared, and advancement recognition has increased.

[Information Can Be Found At The Advancement Website](#)

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