SEABADGE 20-MD-2014

January 20, 2014

To: **Scout Executives**
From: **Noel E. Guzman, Commodore, Northeast Region Sea Scouts**
Brian Gray, Regional Director

Subject: **SEABADGE (SB-20-MD-2014)**

The next Northeast Region Seabadge Conference (SB-20-MD-2014) is scheduled for Friday to Sunday, September 19-21, 2014. Due to the high demand for the limited number of participant openings, your immediate attention is requested. Please copy and share with all Scouting and Venturing professionals, your Commissioner's and Sea Scout volunteers. Thank you for your interest and support.

APPLICATION DUE DATE AUGUST 1ST, 2014

Dates-Times and Location
From: 5 pm (1700), Friday, September 19, 2014
To: 1 pm (1300), Sunday, September 21, 2014
On board the liberty ship SS JOHN W. BROWN
2000 South Clinton Street, (Pier One) in Baltimore, Maryland.

PLEASE READ THIS FACT SHEET CAREFULLY AND COMPLETELY

Objectives
Seabadge is an advanced training experience for Sea Scout adult leaders, Committee Members and other members in Scouting at the Unit, District, Council, Regional, Area or National levels that support the Sea Scout program. 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 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.

Qualifications for Participation
Seabadge participants will be selected from nominees recommended by local ships and councils.
Applicant must meet the following requirements:
1. Obtain approval from their Flotilla or designee.
2. Currently registered in any adult position directly supporting Sea Scouting or other Scouting program area.
3. Completed a Youth Protection training course.

4. Completed Sea Scout Adult Leader Basic Training (or its equivalent).
5. Willing to apply the skills and knowledge obtained through Seabadge to strengthen Sea Scout membership and unit programs.
6. Should be physically fit to work, sleep, and perform pier side in a fully operational shipboard environment.

Seabadge Content

Seabadge is a participatory experience. There will be intensive individual involvement by participants and Seabadge 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 upon completion of the course each participant will receive a course certificate.

To earn the Seabadge Trident Pin, participants must attend all sessions of the Seabadge weekend conference, and to successfully complete a "Rutter" (ticket), which is approved in advanced by your Seabadge Conference Coordinator.

This Rutter requirement must be completed no later than 18 months after attending the conference. Successful graduates will be presented a course completion letter and Seabadge Trident Pin.

Quarters and Meals

The SS JOHN W. BROWN will be Seabadge training facility, berthing, and messing location.
This will be a pier side shipboard environment. The Seabadge staff and participants will be the guest of the crew of the SS JOHN W. BROWN.

The SS JOHN W. BROWN is one of two surviving fully operational Liberty ships preserved in the United States. She is the product of an emergency shipbuilding program during World War II that resulted in the construction of more than 2,700 Liberty ships. Designed as cheap and quickly built cargo steamers, the Liberty ships formed the backbone of a massive logistical build up in Europe and in the Pacific as an operational Liberty ship. The SS JOHN W. BROWN is manned by a volunteer crew and volunteer administrative/logistical support staff.

Berthing will be in open bay sections and male and female participants will berth separately regardless of relationships. **Each participant is asked to bring sleeping bags, pillows, and cots or air mattresses**. Separate heads and shower facilities will be available. All meals and "Mid-Rats" (Cracker Barrel) will be taken in the mess deck. If you are flying to the course, contact Course Director for instructions

PLEASE NOTE: The SS JOHN W. BROWN is a fully operational Liberty Ship and it is NOT handicapped accessible and does not have an elevator. Access onto the SS JOHN W. BROWN is only by ship's brow from the pier to the main deck. Seabadge participants and staff must be physically fit to walk up/down exterior and interior ship ladders/stairs in order to move from one location to another. Also, the Seabadge classroom will be located in a modern equipped classroom in one of the BROWN's Tween decks with no windows or portholes. Absolutely no smoking will be allowed on board the SS JOHN W. BROWN, and due to security and safety concerns, individuals will not be allowed to go onto the pier to smoke. Individuals with physical limitations or experience difficulty in confined rooms should not apply for this Seabadge course.

Ship Store

The SS JOHN W. BROWN maintains a ship's store and Seabadge participants and staff will be given opportunities to shop for souvenirs, memorabilia, and educational material. All ship store proceeds pay for the ship's upkeep and operations.

Security and Safety Considerations

1. **Fire Safety**: Since the SS JOHN W. BROWN is an operational Liberty Ship, prior to the start of the Seabadge conference, all participants, and staff will receive a fire safety briefing.

2. **Security**: All Seabadge participants and staff will remain on board the SS JOHN W. BROWN throughout the entire weekend. Please do not expect to that you will be allowed to go ashore after the last training session on Friday and Saturday evening as SS JOHN W. BROWN volunteers lock access to the brow. Once you're onboard on Friday, you will remain on board until Sunday course completion.

Transportation

Major airlines into Baltimore, Maryland are serviced at the Baltimore-Washington International (BWI) Airport (http://www.bwiairport.com/en),located south of the SS JOHN W. BROWN, at Pier One, 2000 South Clinton Street in Baltimore, Maryland. Cab service is available at BWI to the ship. Transportation to and from the SS JOHN W. BROWN in Baltimore will be responsibility of the participant

AMTRAK rail service is also available at the Baltimore-Washington International (BWI) Airport and at the downtown Baltimore AMTRAK Penn Rail Station. Cab services are available at both of the AMTRAK stations.

Personal Vehicle Parking will be available ship side

PLEASE NOTE: Plan your travel to arrive on board the SS JOHN W. BROWN on Friday between 2:00 PM (1400) and 4:00 PM (1600) as the first session begins at 5:00 PM (1700). For departure, recommend you plan your departure airplane or rail reservations from Baltimore after 4:00 PM (1600). Lodging and transportation before and after the course will be the responsibility of the participants and staff. Shuttle service will not be provided.

Medical

All Seabadge participants and staff will be required to complete current BSA medical forms parts (A&B). In addition, if required all Seabadge staff and participants will be expected to bring sufficient prescription medication for the entire weekend. Any and all special need MUST be brought to the attention of the Course Director.

Gear List

Uniform:

1. Sea Scout Leader Khaki Uniform (as noted in the Sea Scout Manual)
2. New Century Universal Sea Scout Uniform

http://www.seascout.org/component/edocman/?task=document.viewdoc&id=43&Itemid=0

3. Non Sea Scout Leaders: Official BSA Uniform for your program area.

Appropriate shoes, dock siders
Socks
Shower shoes
Sea Scout Manual
Pad Lock
Towel
Sleeping Bag
Cot or air mattress
Extra change of underwear
Toilet Kit
Civilian clothing for travel
Sleep Wear
Bath Robe
Jacket Sweater/fleece
Flash light
Prescription medication
Two or three hangers
Sweat pants and Sweat Shirt Pen/Pencils

Preparation

Each participant from an active Sea Scout unit will be familiar with and bring to Seabadge the Sea Scout Manual 11ed, No. 33239-2012 printing, available from the local council service center or download from http://www.seascout.org/youth/sea-scout-manual-a-resources .

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. Forty four (44) copies should be provided

Application and Cost

Seabadge -20-MD-2014 fee is $185.00.
A deposit of $100.00 must accompany this application.

Each participant must complete the two part Seabadge application.
The Seabadge application and a deposit of $100.00 made payable "Liberty Flotilla NER"
(Memo: SB-20-MD-2014) must be sent to

Course Registrar:
Mr. Craig Goodman
7211 - 110th Street
Apt 5D
Forest Hills, NY 11375-8309

Applications must be postmarked by midnight, Friday 1st August 2014.
Remaining fees of $85.00 will be collected on the day of the course, cash or check.
Course fees are non-refundable after Sunday, 17 August 2014 for participants who withdraw from the course. Those not selected will have their course fees refunded.
The Seabadge fee covers the course material, all meals, and insurance.

Questions

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SEABADGE (SB20-MD-2014) APPLICATION

TYPE OR PRINT ALL INFORMATION IN BLUE OR BLACK INK.

PART 1. NOMINATION

I am pleased to nominate_____to attend SB-20-MD-2014 advanced training for Sea Scouting leaders. I certify that this leader meets all of the requirements listed on the SB-20-MD-2014 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 BSA / 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	_____	_____	_____

I have read the Seabadge Fact Sheet and I acknowledge that I will be attending the course on board the *SS JOHN W. BROWN,* and that my course fee will not be refundable after Sunday, 17 August 2014. If selected for participation in SB-20-MD-2014, I pledge to attend for the entire period and carefully prepare my advance assignments.

Signed: _____Date:_____

Mail this application, plus a deposit of $100.00 check/money order made payable to "Liberty Flotilla NER" (Memo: SB-20-MD-2014) to:
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PRINT NAME_____

PART 3, APPLICATION: Adult Leader Years of Service

Cub Scout_____Boy Scout_____Sea Scout_____Venturing_____Other _____

Please list Scouting, Sea Scouting, and Venturing adult experience. Please include dates, position title, and whether it was a national, regional, council, district and/or unit-level position.

Date from	Date to	Position	Unit	Council

Adult Recognitions: Please list all awards earned

Date Awarded	Recognition	Council