

Building & Sustaining Momentum

Motivation & Enthusiasm

Preparation & Planning

Tribe Chiefs:

Schedule 2 Big Brave Special Meetings a Year (Dad's Only): Fall and Spring to map out tribe meeting dates and discuss tribal activity, community service and outing options.

Assign Tribe Officers and Big Braves to research possibilities and report back to Tribe at next meeting.

Create master schedule after consultation with Tribe Big Braves of Locations, Outings or Crafts events.
Complete meeting agenda for each meeting

Make assignments and delegate responsibility for each item on meeting agenda.

See Attached Calendar Worksheet.

Consult with Talley Keeper for Badge requirement presentations by little braves or princesses

Medicine Man Opening Prayer

Medicine Man or volunteer Big Brave- Story-telling

Tribe Chief or Volunteer Big Brave to Game or Craft, etc.

Consult with Tally-Keeper on possible upcoming Badge presentations.

Tribal Meetings

1. Schedule Regular Monthly Meetings
2. Balance Events/Outings with Crafts
3. Consistent Meeting Format (Tribal Ritual):

An Example:

7:10pm- Opening Ritual or Prayer and Recite 6 aims

7:15pm-Talley Keeper roll call and each Little Brave and Princess will share on how they earned wampum, good deeds, or what they did with their Big Brave that month, working on their next patch or for fun.

- Wampum Bearer collection of Wampum and records good deeds, how wampum earned in Wampum Bearer Journal.
- Talley-Keeper records patch achievements in Tribe's Tally-Keeper Journal
- Talley-Keeper awards recognition tokens for Award patch progress and Wampum gifts.

7:25pm – Outing activity, Story time or Game or simple craft that can be completed during meeting.

8:00pm-Refreshments and discussion and finalization of Plan for next tribe meeting

Handout Attendance

8:15pm-Closing Ceremony: Native American sign language benediction and Closing, a Tribal Prayer, the Y-guides Pledge, or proprietary Tribe closing ritual.

Outing Suggestions:

Suggestions: Many venues have Groupon and Living Social Discounts (keep an eye out for them). Patches are available for these activities.

- Corn Maze Adventures- Belvedere Plantation, Fredericksburg at www.belvedereplantation.com, VA or Liberty Mills Farm at www.libertymillsfarm.com , just north of Montpelier (end of September through 1st Weekend in November) or Green Hand Farm, Gloucester, VA at www.greenhandfarmpark.com.
- Berry picking at Ashland Berry Farm.
- Tree Top Climbing-Riverside Outfitters at www.riversideoutfitters.net.
- Zip Line Adventure- Treetop Zoofari Zip Line and Adventure Park, Mosley, VA (804-739-5666) (Above the Metro Richmond Zoo) or The Adventure Park at Sandy River Retreat, Rice, VA (434-392-7246)
- Scavenger Hunts or hiking trails at Local parks(Chief's Manual has sample scavenger hunt themes)
- Kite Flying Adventures, Miniature Golf, Ice Skating, Bowling(Tribe Craft ideas has instructions for making a kite)
- Cookout and soccer, football, ultimate Frisbee or other outdoor games at the Tuckahoe Y playing fields.
- Canoeing expeditions at York State Park
- Christmas Caroling in a neighborhood or Assisted Living community
- Lazerquest(889 Research Road, Midlothian, VA 23236 phone 804 378-0400
- Plan a leather-crafting activity with Tandy Leathercraft (free) for your monthly tribe meeting and use Tandy's leather-crafting tools and his expertise for the projects. Go online to view selection of craft ideas at www.tandy-leather.com.
- HNS Archery- get expert instruction on shooting a bow and arrow at their indoor ranges (11250 Patterson Ave, phone: 804 562-1673) Special rate for Adventure Guides Program members.

Please Share your new adventures experiences with your Adventure Guides Coordinator, so he/she can tell other tribes who may like to try them out too.

Group Events (~Going Tribal~)

- Whenever possible, plan your event as a Tribe event, not only will the event generate enthusiasm and maintain a program feel, but it will also be memorable for multiple reasons.
- Consider doing an event with a brother or sister tribe to grow friendships within the Nation.