



Newsletter

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May 2006

Coming Events

May 2006

- 1 Mon Patrol Leaders Council 7:30 pm
- 2 TUES TRP COMM., BD OF REV. 7:00PM
- 5 Fri Troop Meeting, 7:00-9:00 pm
- 11 THURS DISTRICT ROUND TABLE
- 12-14 Canoe Trip
- 16 ADULT PASTA DINNER 7:00 PM
- 19 Fri Troop Meeting, 7:00-9:00 pm
- 20 Sat Radnor Races
- 21 Sun Radnor Races
- 28 Sun VFW Memorial Day Ceremony
2:00 pm

June 2006

- 1 Thurs Troop Meeting, 7:00-9:00 pm
- 2-4 O/A Weekend – Horseshoe
- 6 Tues Patrol Leaders Council 7:30 pm
- 7 WED TRP COMM., BD OF REV. 7:00PM
- 8 Thurs Troop Meeting, 7:00-9:00 pm
DISTRICT PICNIC
- 9-11 O/A Conclave
- 11 Sun Field Day & Family Picnic
1:00pm
- 16 Fri Troop Meeting, 7:00-9:00 pm
- 17-18 Rafting Trip
- 24 Sat PLC to Summer Camp (3:00 pm)
- 25 Sun Summer Camp – Week 1
(to Jul 2)
- 26 MON FRIENDS OF TROOP 78 7:30 PM

Looking Ahead

- Jul 2 – 9 Summer Camp -
- Week 2
- 7/29 to 8/5 Canada Canoe Trip

Note: Adult events shown in **SMALL CAPS**.



Thanks to Scott & Laurie Vercoe and their workers for successfully pulling the hoagie sale off once again. Almost 1200 hoagies were sold – and that means dollars into the scout's account to be used however he wishes: i.e. Summer Camp at Horseshoe, Canada Trip, etc. It also means dollars into the troop treasury to pay for all those wonderful trips and activities.

The Hoagie Assembly Line is something to experience, and it is a great way to meet other parents. That's what makes '78 such a unique troop--everyone working together. If you didn't make it this time, don't miss next year's.

Only 14 more years to go Scott & Laurie!

The Troop Committee

Troop Committee Next Meeting

Tuesday

May 2 7:00 pm

At the Cabin

For Your Information

Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help out at Radnor Races. Remember to mark your calendar for Saturday May 20 (races) and Sunday May 21 (cleanup). If you haven't signed up yet, please call Brian Rothberg. Invite a friend!

Don't forget – sign up for summer camp: June 25 – July 2 (week 1), July 2-9 (week 2)

Adult pasta dinner: Last one of the season – Tuesday May 16th.

Board of Review: Tuesday May 2, 7:00 pm for merit badges and ranks up to First Class

Dads: Your input is needed. Plan to attend the next Committee meeting on Tuesday May 2 at 7:00 pm. The Committee normally meets the first Tuesday of the month. We especially would like to see the new dads.

Congratulations

Steve & Renee D'Antonio

25th Wedding Anniversary

May 16, 2006



Many Happy Returns!!!

*The Scouts of Troop 78
& The Troop Committee*

Radnor Thanks

The following letter was sent to those who were able to help us at the Fall Radnor 3-Day Event:

February, 2006

On behalf of the Troop 78 Committee I wanted to thank you for your tremendous efforts at this year's Radnor International Three-Day Event.

We had strong a crew setting up the Race Course on Saturday, October 1. The work was difficult because of the nearly six inch rain deficit the area was suffering through. Hard to believe that many of those same people, along with our Troop's usual large contingent, stood in the same place one week later getting soaked by the storm that wiped out the entire rain shortfall in about 24 hours.

In the face of truly horrible weather and a shortened event, Troop 78 did another terrific job. Our people showed up in force, even with much of the weekend a washout. This was the first year that we were the official beneficiary of the event and I think we put in an effort worthy of that designation.

This year because of the weather, the Event did not have a good year financially. This greatly affected the Troop's earnings. In spite of that, we will contribute to the Scout Accounts as promised. We want you to know how much we appreciate your dedication in the face of truly awful conditions.

This year marked the debut of a number of people in leadership positions with Troop 78. John Mateyk, assisted by Gary Hunter, did a great job of leading us in our many soggy jobs. I wanted to give a special thanks to my new associate, Mike Dufoe. Mike is taking care of much of the follow-up phone calling and has been an invaluable help.

Thanks again for helping. I hope to see you this May at the Radnor Races.

Brian Rothberg

These are the families who came out and worked with the Troop. If you could not make it this time, we look forward to seeing you in May at the Radnor Races:

BALMAT*
CECCO
CHOW
COMPTON
D'ANTONIO *
D'ANTONIO *
DAVIDSON
DAVIS
DAVISON
DESTEFANO
DEVIRGILIO *
DIMONTE
DONDERO *
DONDERO
DONNELLY *
DUFOE
EBERHART
FOX
FREES
GORMAN
HEEGARD *
HEILMAN
HERBST
HOGAN
HUNTER
HURLEY *
KIMMEL *
LANG
LAUMER
LAUNI
LEWIS *
LEWIS *
LONGENECKER *
MATEYK

MATJE *
MCCARTHY
MESSEMER
MILLER
NAGY
NESSLE
NEWBOULD
ODELL
O'SHEA
POHLMAN
POIDOMANI
RAVEN
RICHEY
ROTHBERG *
RUBINO *
SCHERTZ
SHAY *
SHERIDAN
SMITH
SMITH
STEVENS *
SWARBRICK
TERREL
TROWILL *
TYSON *
TYSON *
URBAN
VERCOE
WAGNER *
WANG
WECKERLE
WEILER
WILLIAMSON

The names followed by * are people and families that came out and helped Troop 78 in spite of the fact that they no longer have (and in some cases never had) an active boy in the troop. Thank you! You are a wonderful example of the spirit of our Troop and its extended family!



HOAGIE SALE WRAP-UP

The 2006 Troop Hoagie Sale "wrapped-up" in April with 1200 hoagies sold. The scouts did a fantastic job of selling this year as both young and old scouts had big orders. The top 3 sellers this year were:

Joe Poidomani (150)

Alex Frees (92)

Josh Mateyk (84)

They've earned a fishing trip to Egg Harbor NJ sponsored by Mr. Matje and Mr. Donnelly after the school year is over.

Other scouts with big orders were Mike Bennett, Kevin Compton, Dan Dufoe and Brian and Dan Sheridan.

All scouts who sold will have their personal accounts credited.

I would especially like to thank all the "experienced" scout parents and many "younger" scout parents who both showed up in great numbers to make the building of these hoagies a smooth and quick operation! Also **Special Thanks!** to Laurie Vercoe who is essential in the preparation of this event. I look forward to working with you all again next year!

Scott Vercoe



May Birthdays

May 2 Al Terrell
May 2 Rich Foot
May 5 Ernie Heegard
May 6 Andrew Terrell
May 16 Jim Donnelly
May 18 Greg D'Antonio
May 21 Dave Benedict
May 22 Chet Darlington, Sr.
May 23 Matt Hungerbuhler
May 28 Kyle Miller



Radnor Races

Saturday May 20 & Sunday May 21

Spring is here and although the weather is still pretty awful, Troop 78 is looking forward to spending a beautiful weekend at the 2006 Radnor Races.

Just a quick refresher:

This is the Troop's biggest single undertaking; we need well over 100 people out to help

This event represents the underpinning for much of the Troop's finances

Your Scout will receive credit in his Scout Account for every hour worked by every person you bring out that weekend.

Radnor Races is a wonderful experience and we always have a great time working there and enjoying the event.

You will be receiving formal notification and sign-up sheets shortly. Saturday is the big day and we must have adults who can devote the better part of their day to helping us out. We need a smaller contingent on Sunday to take care of clean-up.

PLEASE GO RIGHT OVER TO YOUR CALENDAR AND BLOCK OUT ALL DAY SATURDAY MAY 20 TO HELP TROOP 78 AT THE RADNOR RACES

Looking forward to hearing from you and working with you soon.

Brian Rothberg



Willistown Troop 78

Summer Camp 2006 June 25th to July 9th

Time Is Running Out

It is hard to believe but if you don't act soon you are going to miss summer camp 2006. By now you should have made your reservation and sent in your deposit for this years summer camp. However, if you have not acted yet there is still time. Don't be left behind this two week camping experience is always the highlight of our scouting year. It is our goal to have 100% of the Troop in camp.

The cost is \$265.00 per week if full payment and medical form is received by May 12th. A troop tee shirt is given to every boy paid in full by May 12th. After May 12th the cost is \$290.00 per week, and tee shirts are \$10.00. If you have not received a camp packet with all the information or if you have any questions at all please contact Dave Schertz at 610-687-0366.

Dads are not only welcomed they are encouraged to find time to join in the fun at camp. There is no cost; all we ask is that you let us know when you are coming. Don't let this opportunity pass you by.

Dave Shertz



Dance Team News

Ahtaquaoweh Mocasins Dancers

Recent Performances:

Pack 219 East Fallowfield Elem. School, Coatesville, PA

Pack 86 East Bradford Elementary School, West Chester, PA

Pack 110 – Hillside Elementary School, West Chester, PA

Paoli Methodist Church, Paoli, PA



The Importance of Walking Especially for Adults

*Walking can add months to your life. This enables you at 85 years old to spend an additional 5 months in a nursing home at \$5000 per month.

*My grandmother started walking five miles a day when she was 60. Now she's 97 years old and we don't know where the heck she is.

*I joined a health club last year, spent about 400 bucks. Haven't lost a pound. Apparently you have to go there.

*I like long walks, especially when they are taken by people who annoy me.

*If you are going to try cross-country skiing, start with a small country.



Did You Know...?

1. A dime has 118 ridges around the edge.
2. Al Capone's business card said he was a used furniture dealer.
3. All 50 states are listed across the top of the Lincoln Memorial on the back of the \$5 bill.
4. "Dreamt" is the only English word that ends in the letters "mt".
5. No word in the English language rhymes with month, orange, silver or purple.
6. There are only four words in the English language which end in "dous": tremendous, horrendous, stupendous, and hazardous.

Adult Pasta Dinner

May 16, 2006

**7:00 pm
at the cabin
\$15.00**

Last one until Fall

**Menu: Brasciole Scott
(Scott's specialty – stuffed beef)**

**Special fabulous desserts
Come, enjoy the good
food and companionship**

Reservations:

Rick DeVirgilio: 610-644-5660
Joe Cady: 610-647-4037

Support your troop

Puzzle Corner

Food

1. Fruit in an Aesop fable:
s _ _ _ g _ _ _ _ _
2. Green spheroid: _ _ _ _
3. Bread for a gyro: p _ _ _
4. Souvlaki meat: l _ _ _
5. Fare that's slung: _ _ s _
6. Skimpy Chinese meal:
Egg _ _ _ y _ _ _
7. Munch on chips, maybe:
n _ _ _

Word Puzzle Answers

from last month

1. scene one
2. saved by the bell
3. old hand
4. no thanks
5. drop by drop
6. king cobra



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