



Newsletter



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September 1999

Coming Events

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- 6 Mon **Labor Day**
- 7 Tue TLC 7:30 pm cabin
- 9 THU **STEAK-O-REE**
- 10 Fri Troop Meeting 7:00-9:00 pm
- 14 TUE **TROOP COMM., BD. OF REV. 7:00 PM CABIN**
- 16 Thu School Night for Cubbing
- 17-18-19 Indian River Coast Guard Station
- 24-25-26 O/A Weekend

October 99						
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- 1 Fri Troop Meeting 7:00-9:00 pm
- 3 Sun Family Dinner
- 4 Mon TLC 7:30 pm cabin
- 5 TUE **TROOP COMM., BD. OF REV. 7:00 PM CABIN**
- 9 Sat Radnor Hunt
- 10 Sun Radnor Hunt
- 14 THU **ROUND TABLE 7:30PM SMS**
- 15-16-17 District Camporee
- 22 Fri Troop Meeting 7:00-9:00 pm



Looking Ahead

- Nov 12-13-14 Backpacking Trip
- Dec 10-11-12 Baltimore Trip
- Jan 14-15-16 Father/Son Winter Camp
- JAN 21 FRI **COUNCIL DINNER**
- Feb 12-13 Klondike Derby
- Feb 25-26-27 Matje Farm Trip
- Mar 4 Sat Council First Aid Meet
- Mar 24-25-26 Harper's Ferry Trip

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

RADNOR HUNT INTERNATIONAL 3-DAY EVENT

You will soon be receiving a letter asking for help on October 2, 3, 9 and 10. Please take a minute to go over to your calendar and set aside some time to help Troop 78. **OUR MOST CRITICAL HOURS ARE DURING MID-DAY: 10AM to 3PM** on the 9th and 10th.

"Working" at Radnor Hunt is a wonderful experience. The event itself is great fun. It is also a good opportunity to put money into Scout Accounts. Proceeds benefit Paoli Memorial Hospital; so you are helping a vital community resource.

Please fill out the form **AS SOON AS YOU GET IT**, and mail it back.

Please respond even if you are not able to help us. That way you won't be bothered with a phone call.

If you have **ANY** questions or do not receive a response form, feel free to call me at 610-296- [redacted] or e-mail at [redacted]

Thanks in advance for your help.

Brian Rothberg

For Your Information



◆ Included with this mailing is the 1999-2000 troop program. As usual it is tentative and subject to change during the year. Watch your *Newsletter* for the latest updates.

◆ **Please note:** Because of the Labor Day holiday, this month's Troop Committee meeting will be held on the **second** Tuesday (Sept 14) rather than the first Tuesday.

◆ There is only one Board of Review before the family dinner for merit badges and ranks up to First Class. Bring your materials, papers, etc. to the Troop committee meeting (Sept 14, 7:00 pm) at the cabin. Class A uniform is required.

◆ For **STAR** rank call Mr. Balmat (610-647- [redacted]) to set up a board.

◆ For **Life** rank, call Mr. Fry (610-644- [redacted]) to set up a board.

◆ **Dads:** Your input is needed. Attend the next Committee meeting at 7:00 pm on Tues Sept. 14 at the cabin on Tues Sept 14th. We especially would like to see the new dads.

Troop Committee

next meeting

Tuesday

September 14

7:00 PM

at the cabin



Editorially Speaking

welcome back, have we got plans for you...

We welcome back all our friends, scouts and their families for another exciting scouting year of fun and adventure.

As usual there will be plenty of camping: Trips are planned for

September
(Indian river Coast Guard Station - something new!!)
, October



(District Camporee), November (Backpacking Trip, December Baltimore Trip), March (Harpers Ferry trip, June (white water rafting). You cold weather campers take note: Father/Son winter camp will take place in January; both Klondike Derby and Matje farm trip will take place in February.

We will also have our traditional activities; Family Dinner (October), Parents Night (February), Field Day/Family picnic (June). This year there will be a Council First Aid in March. In mid-April there will be another Florida trip to Disney/world. There will be another Canada Wilderness canoe trip in August.

As usual we will be heavily involved in Radnor Hunt (October) and Radnor Races (May). There will be only one hoagie sale in the Spring. This Fall the troop will have a popcorn sale instead.

The adults have their leader training week at Matje farm in May.

O/A members: This year, in addition to the usual weekends, there will be a Conclave in June and a two-week Irish jamboree in August at Camp Ware.

The troop Committee will meet first Tuesday of each month and the youth leaders will hold a TLC the first Monday of each month.

As usual, the program year culminates with our traditional two-week encampment at Horseshoe Scout Reservation in Rising Sun, Md.

Welcome back to another great year...

Mike Spritzer

Merit Badge Updates

With the flurry of activity and the rush of last minute Boards of Review at summer camp, it's easy to lose track of one or two merit badges after camp. To help keep track of what's still left to be done, the following is a list of merit badges still pending. (See Mr. Spritzer for your blue card.)

Completed but needing a Board of Review: (The next Board of Review will be held on Tuesday September 14th, 7:00 pm at the cabin.)

Zach Brezon	Swimming
Raymond Calderaro	Swimming
Kyle Gardner	Swimming
Mike Hagan	Swimming
Jeff Hart	Pioneering
Mike Hegarty	swimming
Stephen Hesser	Swimming
Alex Launi	Swimming
Rhett Lebus	Swimming
Keith Longenecker	Rowing
Mike Marryat	Lifesaving

Partials: (Some work is still needed to complete these merit badges. See the list of merit badge counselors. Board of Review needed.)

Josh Cady	Citizenship in the Nation
	Communication
Matt Carrington	Camping
	Communication
Alex Donder	Environmental Science
Jason Drinkwater	First Aid
	Wood Carving
Jared Grazulis	Personal Fitness
Mike Marrya	Environmental Science
Kevin Rothman	Swimming
Julian Swiggett	Camping

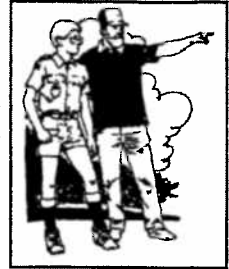
Conditional: The following scouts passed the board of review pending completion of the 4-week physical fitness program. They must show a voucher certifying completion of the program.

Jason Bond	Geoff Dodge
Greg Chandler	Keith Longenecker
Philip Craig	Mike Marryat
Brett D'Antonio	Wayne Schilly

Thanks, Guys

Our heartfelt thanks to the dedication and loyalty of those adults who spent time

with the troop this year at summer camp: **Ernie Heegard** who stayed the full two weeks; **Steve D'Antonio** who stayed the full first week and part of the second; **Steve Shay** and **Mike Spritzer** who



stayed the full second week and part of the first; **Jerry Childers**, **Chip Lewis**, **Chris Reardon** who stayed part of both weeks; **Mike Hagan**, **Kent Carrington**, **Doug Dillow**, **Jeff Longenecker**, **Al Terrell**, **Andrew Terrell** and **Bill Drinkwater** who each stayed several days.

Special thanks to **Bruce Dewey** who came up from Virginia to spend some time with the troop — he also donated a wonderful bustle to the dance team. Extra special thanks to **Jerry Childers** for doing his usual superb job of organizing all those boards of review.

Once again, **thanks guys** for all your help. It wouldn't have happened without you!!

Used Uniform Exchange

Don't buy that new uniform.... yet! First check with Mrs. Betsy Lee *(Scott's mother), our uniform exchange manager to see what's available. Call her at 647-█



If you have any old uniform parts which no longer fit, or which you don't need any more, bring them to the cabin. Scott will take them home for the exchange.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

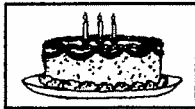
- 1 Cory Bulckey
- 3 Tom Coffey
- 8 Brett D'Antonio
- 15 Mike Spritzer
- 20 Reed LaPlante
- 26 Josh Cady
- 30 Frank Hurley

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Philip Craig
- 9 John Comisky
Alex Dondero
Dan Tartaglio
- 10 Jason Bond
- 11 Rick DeVirgilio
- 13 Kevin Williams
- 18 Michael Hegarty
Steve Shay
- 20 Sid Buck
- 21 Ray Calderaro
- 25 Chip Childers
- 28 Buddy Burns
- 29 Wayne Schilly

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 5 Frank Shackelford
- 7 David Knauer
- 9 John Parker
- 19 Aaron Rearden
- 21 Andrew Satterfield
Kyle Gardner
- 29 Joseph Young



Golden Rules for Living

By Miriam Hamilton Keare

1. If you open it, close it.
2. If you turn it on, turn it off.
3. If you unlock it, lock it up.
4. If you break it, admit it.
5. If you can't fix it, call someone who can.
6. If you borrow it, return it.
7. If you value it, take care of it.
8. If you make a mess, clean it up.
9. If you move it, put it back.
10. If it belongs to someone else, get permission to use it.
11. If you don't know how to operate it, leave it alone.
12. If it's none of your business, don't ask questions.

Troop Family Dinner

Troop 78's annual family dinner and court of honor will take place on Sunday October 3rd at Sugartown School. Tables will be set up when you arrive but please bring your own eating utensils. Scouts should arrive at 3:30 pm. The program will begin at 4:00. The troop will furnish the main course, beverage, rolls and butter. Each family is asked to bring either a salad or a vegetable for eight. If your last name begins with A-L bring vegetable; if M-Z bring a salad. Following the program, dessert will be provided.



In order to help defray costs, a donation of \$1.00 per person is requested. Class A summer uniform will be worn (scout shorts, long scout socks, shirt, neckerchief with slide). There will be a Court of Honor at which merit badges and rank advancements will be presented. *Will there be an Eagle? More than one? Be there to find out!!*

Puzzle Corner

geometric shapes

1. 360 degrees: f _ _ _ c _ _ _ _
2. Beginning: s _ _ _ o _ _ _
3. Half the world: h _ _ _ s _ _ _ _
4. On the up-and-up: f _ _ _ s _ _ _ _
5. Tea cooler: r _ _ _ i _ _ c _ _ _
6. Western amusement: s _ _ _ _ _ d _ _ _ _
7. Military headquarters: T _ _ P _ _ _ _ _
8. RR building: r _ _ _ _ _ h _ _ _ _
9. Echo location: t _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _

1. full circle, 2. square one,
3. hemisphere, 4. four square,
5. ice cube, 6. square dance,
7. The Pentagon, 8. round
house, 9. triangulation



These days many of us have access to the Internet and the World Wide Web at home, at school or at work. This column will present interesting web pages that we find. If you know of any others, send their addresses to your Newsletter editor. (EMAIL address: _____)

Stuff for Kids

Yahooligans: <http://www.yahooligans.com>
a web guide just for kids with the same basic look and feel of Yahoo. Categories include Around the world, School Bell, Art Soup, Science and Oddities, Computers and Games, Sports, News and Entertainment.

Kids on the Web:

<http://www.zev.org/~brendan/kids.html>

This site is maintained by Brendan Kehoe; has links for Fun Stuff, Pen Pals, Homework Tools, Children's Books and Stories, and Things for Teens; You could spend days exploring all these links, and about 100 new ones are added each month.

Dance Team

Happenings

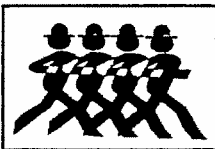
In the evening of July 14th, the troop's Indian dance Team assembled at Camp Jarvis in Devon to perform at Webelos Day Camp -- just before their overnight campout. Attending were **Brett D'Antonio, Jeff Hart, Josh Hughes, Steve Shay, and Dan Wagner**. Their first dance was the *Sneak-Up* with Dan on drums and Brett, Josh, Jeff and Steve dancing. Brett also served as emcee. After a brief explanation of the significance of the *Sneak-Up*, they repeated the dance with Brett on drums and Dan dancing. Next Josh performed the *Feather Dance*, demonstrating **five different** styles (Brett on drums). As if that wasn't enough, Josh then did a superb *Hopi Hoop Dance*. Finally, Brett and Dan lit the campfire following a thrilling torch fight. (OOPS!!) The performance was an exciting introduction to the Webelos' overnight and was well appreciated.



Summer Camp 1999

Rising Sun, MD, July 11 — The end of an exciting two-week encampment at Horseshoe Scout Reservation.

Over 50 scouts spent the first week and nearly 40 the second in their usual Dan beard campsite.



If summer camp could be described by one word it would be **HOT!!!** They experienced record high temperatures the whole time. But the old marching spirit was back! Overall they won the coveted marching trophy 11 times in the two-week period; during the first week they swept the trophy 5 times in a row (total of 6).

They did well in just about everything else. They took second place in the Water Carnival and first place in the Paul Bunyon Field Day Competition. They took second place in the intertroop rifle shoot (week 1) and first place in the archery shoot (week 2).



They did extremely well in virtually all the campwide game: In the Y2K game **Flying Eagle** took #1, **Panther** #2 and **Stag** #3; In the Jedi

Knight game **Moose** was #1, **Stag** #3; in the Virus game **Moose** was #1, **Flying Eagle** ; in the Ransom game **Moose** was #1, **Flying Eagle** #2; in the Ransom game **Moose** was #1, **Flying Eagle** 32; and in the Dr. Evil game the troop finished first.

On a more serious note the troop won "Clean Camp" award both weeks and came in 1st overall week 1 and 2nd week 2. All patrols earned "Standard Patrol" award and the troop earned "Standard Troop." Rattlesnake and Stag Patrols earned "100% Patrol". A number of troop scouts took part in Trail



Blazers (a program for first year scouts to get them on their way to First Class): **Dave Agard, Mike Belleville, Zach Brezon, Ray Calderaro, Adam Capriola, Jason Cecci, Josh Frees, Kyle Gardner, Zach Glick, Mike Hagan, Mike Hegarty, Steve Hesser, Kyle Hughes, David Knauer, Alex Launi, Rhett LeBus, Greg Vastardis, Bryan Vercoe.** several older scouts took part in the COPE program;(a leadership development program.); **Josh Cady Chris Carrington, Greg Chandler, Ed Dodge.** Troop

scouts hiked the Nature Trail, Blue trail and took part in and took part in Polar Bear and took part in Bear and Mile swims. There were 135 merit badge boards of review completed with 11 boards still pending and 11 partials.



The troop presented its own awards: **Brian Vercoe, and Greg Vastardis** each recieved the Outstanding Sprit Award.

On a much more serious note, the Silver Buckle award for outstanding camper (elected by the scouts) was presented to **Tom Shay** (week 1) and **Geoff Dodge** (week 2).

Thank you to all the adults who volunteered their time and energy to provide leadership at camp -- and to conduct all those boards of review. (Ed. Note: See article on page 2.)

All in all it was another full, productive and enjoyable summer camps.



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