

HATBORO BOY SCOUT TROOP 3

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TROOP 3 NEWSLETTER

Dear Troop 3 Families,

Summer is in full swing and with it brings summer camp for scouts around the nation. Summer camp is always the highlight of every troop year no matter where scouts go. This is also true for the scouts in Troop 3. We tend to focus on the advancement side of summer camp, but the camp experience offers so much more than just working on ranks and badges. For the new boys, it is an extended opportunity to get to know the older boys in the troop and the other new boys in their patrol, and become more comfortable with the Troop 3 team. And for all the scouts it is a chance to have fun with friends, spend a week outdoors, and experience new challenges. Resica Falls situated in the beautiful Pocono Mountains is the official summer camp of the Cradle of Liberty Council. It has so much to offer and we will make the most of every moment. So, let's leave those electronic devices at home and see what it is like to live in the Great Outdoors. Please read on for last minute reminders of our trip to Resica Falls.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Summer Camp: By now everyone should have read the packet that was provided to each family in early June. If you don't have the packet I have attached it as a part of this newsletter mailing. A few reminders as we are now just a week away from departure.

1. We will gather at the Village Mall, 200 Blair Mill Rd on Sunday July 9, 2017 at 10:00 AM and we will depart from that location at 10:30 AM. Please be prompt. All scouts and scouters will need to bring a bag lunch with them. We will eat lunch at Resica Falls Elementary School prior to checking in at camp.

2. All medical forms (Parts A,B,C) with a doctors signature and dated prior to camp along with any medication administration forms must be turned into Mr. Atras prior to camp. Medications must be in an original container with enough medication to last the week and then in a Ziploc bag with the scouts name and dosage instructions. A copy of a medical card must be attached to the medical form. Any scout or scouter missing these items will not be permitted in camp.
3. Please do not send large sums of money with your son. \$30 should be sufficient for the week. **No** outside food items will be permitted. They will be confiscated and not returned. Please remember that the Troop Electronic Policy will be in effect. Any scout who has an electronic device in camp will lose that item until we return home. I thank you in advance for helping with these policies.
4. Anyone who still needs red shirts or hats, please see Mrs. Caetano at our July 3 troop meeting. It will be the last opportunity to obtain these items.

Allagash Wilderness Waterway Trip: Several youth members and adults staff will be headed to Maine at the end of the month to canoe the Allagash Wilderness Waterway. The plans for this trip have been going on since January and I know that the scouts attending will have a great time. Training has been ongoing and several scouts have already completed Canoeing Merit Badge. I can't wait to hear all about this trip when they return.

National Scout Jamboree: Dawson Stremme and Jimmy McGlumphy will be attending the National Scout Jamboree this month at the Summit Bechtel Scout reserve in West Virginia. They depart for the Jamboree on July 18 and return on July 28. In addition, our own committee chairman Dave Cooper will be at the Jamboree as a part of the US Scouter tour. Again, I can't wait to hear all about their trip to the National Scout Jamboree.

PAST EVENTS:

Trap Pond: Troop 3 went to Trap Pond in Southern Delaware over Father's Day weekend. Although I was not in attendance, I understand it was a great trip all around. We did some canoeing and kayaking, several scouts completed canoeing merit badge the park was a great destination. Thanks to Mr. Bob Jones for all of his hard work in putting this trip together and to the other adult staff members that went along.

Horsham Day: On Saturday June 3, Troop 3 was on hand as Washington District debuted two new cub packs in Horsham at the annual Horsham Day event. We set up an area to look like a camp site complete with Dutch oven Monkey bread. Mr. Pete Walts brought his large trailer and there was also a pinewood derby track to show off all the great things scouting has to offer. I owe

a huge debt of gratitude to Keith Grimes for putting it all together. We had several scouts and scouters in attendance throughout the day to make it all happen. While that was going on, Mr. John, Mr. Lee and Dan Lee worked on videotaping several events at Horsham Day. This year Horsham Township celebrates their 300th Anniversary. Thanks to our video crew for shooting these events.

June Fete: Another annual tradition of service is the June Fete for the benefit of Jefferson/Abington Hospital. Over the weekend of June 9 to 11, several of our scouts and scouters helped out at this event. Thanks to Mr. Bob Genn who put this together. I will publish the names of all that attended next month.

Dawson Stremme Eagle Project: I never speak specifically about one Eagle Project, however, I want to comment on this particular project. On June 14, (Flag Day) the troop gathered at Hatboro Park as Dawson completed his Eagle Project with a flag retirement ceremony. This ceremony was a moving tribute to the symbol of our nation. I thank everyone who attended and were part of the ceremony.

Philmont Expedition: As I write this newsletter, our Philmont Crew has been on the trail for several days. They departed on June 24 and will return on July 8. Most of them will clean some clothes and repack for summer camp. Philmont is a fantastic experience for everyone and I can't wait to hear all about this trip when they return.

NEWS AND NOTES:

Troop 3 Annual Plan: At the June Staff and Committee meeting, the troop staff had their first glance at the Annual Plan. Our Senior Patrol Leader, Dan McKay did a great job presenting the plan and spent about an hour answering several questions. The TLC will now take a final look at the plan in July and at our staff meeting this month, we will put it up for a final vote to approve. Look for the annual plan to be published by the end of the month.

Staff Meeting Date Change: Our staff meeting was scheduled for July 6, however, due to the Philmont Trip we cannot hold a TLC until they return which means that our staff meeting had to be moved. The Troop Committee and Staff meeting will now take place on Tuesday July 18, 2017 at 7:30 PM at Mr. Cooper's house. Please take note of the change.

Tribute to Mrs. Bernard: As most everyone knows, Mrs. Georgi Bernard spent over 20 years as the treasurer of Troop 3. She retired from that position earlier this month and now it is time to recognize her for her efforts. The troop will honor Mrs. Bernard at our Monday night meeting on July 31. Please plan on attending this very special night to thank Mrs. Bernard for her incredible service to scouting and to Troop 3.

COMING IN AUGUST:

Trip to Laurel Caverns: On Friday morning August 18, 2017, we will be heading to Western Pennsylvania to visit Laurel Caverns. We are projecting the cost of this trip (without food costs) to be around \$60.00. We will visit the Flight 93 memorial in Somerset County and then move on to Ohiopyle State Park. On Saturday we will visit the caverns and on Sunday we will visit Ft. Necessity and Mt. Davis, the highest point in Pennsylvania. Mr. Murphy will need a commitment for this trip when we return from Summer Camp on July 17.

GREAT THINGS OUR SCOUTS ARE DOING:

Blair Mill Elementary School 5K: On Saturday June 10, 2017, I ran the Blair Mill Elementary School 5K in memory of long time school principal Nancy Doherty. To my surprise when I arrived I found Tanner Coleman, Apollo Marks, Nick Wagner, Andrew Marks and Dominic Pettinelli. Each of them completed the 5K in very respectable times, Congratulations to all of these scouts.

NYLT: Ben Iaia our ASPL completed his NYLT training yesterday. Congratulations to Ben for taking this important step in youth training.

JULY CALENDAR

Theme – ADVANCEMENT

Assignments:

Pre-opening: Ice Knights **Opening:** We know Noot. **Closing:** Phoenix Reborn. **Service:** Troop 3 Retirement Center

JULY BIG EVENT – SUMMER CAMP AT RESICA FALLS

July							2017
Troop 3 Activity Calendar							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	

						1 Michael Jaeschke Eagle Project 10:00 AM
2	3 Troop Meeting – 7:30 PM at HBC Summer Camp Prep	4 Independence Day	5	6	7	8
9 Depart for Camp 10:00 AM gather 10:30 AM depart Village Mall - Horsham	10 No Troop Meeting Summer Camp	11 Summer Camp	12 Summer Camp	13 Summer Camp	14 Summer Camp	15 Arrive at HBC by 12 noon 1:00 Pm - dismissal
16	17 Troop Meeting at Carpenter Park Beach Volleyball	18 Troop Committee and Staff meeting – 7:30 PM Mr. Coopers House	19 National Scout Jamboree	20 National Scout Jamboree	21 National Scout Jamboree	22 National Scout Jamboree
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