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Troop 3 Newsletter

Dear Scout Families,

I decided today that I was going to sit down and try to work on the July Newsletter and as I started to write, I realized that no one reading would know what day this was. So, let me tell you it is the first day of summer and it is a late Friday afternoon and it is the best day of the week so far. My hope is that all of this wet weather will end soon. Why? Well as we move into the month of July, Scout Troops all over the nation will be headed to summer camp. Troop 3 is no different. We will soon be headed to Goose Pond S.R. for our own summer camp experience.

As a youth, I always looked forward to summer camp. Mind you, we always went to Resica Falls and always at Great Bend Camp, but it didn't matter, it was a week away with my friends and we got to do some really cool things. As a matter of fact, it was these experiences that got me more involved in summer camp serving 3 years on the camp staff at Great Bend. I absolutely loved those years between 1972 and 1979.

Fast forward 40 years to 2019 and now as an adult, I still love the summer camp experience, however it is just a little bit different. Summer camp is perhaps the single most rewarding event of a scout's year. It is here where new patrols seem to gel, friendships are made and the most advancement is completed. Summer camp is not always about the merit badges, but more about the experience. Where else can a scout spend a week in the woods with his friends and learn about such things as canoeing, swimming, STEM, woodworking and so many other things. The answer of course is summer camp. So why do I love it so much? Because now as the scoutmaster, I get to watch our scouts do all the great things that I did as a youth. We depart for Goose Pond on July 14. Read on for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Summer Camp at Goose Pond:

We will depart for Goose Pond S.R. on Sunday July 14, 2019 at 10:00 AM. We will meet at the Village Mall near the Wells Fargo Bank (we can't meet at HBC due to Sunday services). Scouts will need all of their gear, a bag lunch and a full complete uniform including a Troop 3 neckerchief and hat. We will travel in the full uniform. All physicals should be complete by then, however, Mr. Atras will be present for any last-minute issues. You must also deliver to Mr. Larsson, all medication in the original bottle with dosing instructions. The bottle should be in a plastic Ziploc bag. Please remember, if any scout wants to purchase a pocketknife at camp, I must have written authorization. If you have any questions between now and our departure date, please check with me. I will get you an answer to any questions. We will return from camp on Saturday July 20, 2019 by 1 PM. Scouts should be ready for release by 2 PM.

Chris Careno Eagle Ceremony:

We will celebrate the accomplishments of Chris Careno at his Eagle Ceremony on Monday July 22, 2019. I realize that this is the Monday immediately after we return from camp, however, the Careno family wanted this date due to scheduling issues. I encourage everyone to please do their very best to attend and help us celebrate all that Chris and the Careno family have accomplished. This will be a full uniformed event beginning at 8 PM.

Venture Crew Trip to Allagash:

Our Venture Crew under the leadership of Mr. Murphy and Mr. Grimes will depart on Saturday July 27 and will head to the Allagash Wilderness Waterway in northern Maine. They will return to Hatboro on Saturday August 3, 2019. This is an exciting trip and we wish them all well.

PAST EVENTS:

Horsham Day:

I want to thank Chris Marks and Jared Snyder who put together Troop 3's appearance at the annual Horsham Day on Saturday June 1, 2019. There was quite a bit to this including demonstrations and a typical campsite. I also thank everyone who spent any time at our location at Deep Meadow Park. In addition, VT3 was in action videotaping all of the events. Thanks to Mr. John and the VT3 crew for working on this great event.

Dave Cooper Retirement Celebration:

On Sunday June 2, members of Troop 3 both past and present gathered at Spring Mill Manor to celebrate David and Cindy Cooper and all that they have meant to this troop. So many people made this event wonderful, but I especially want to thank Bob and Barbara John, Steve Gillman, Brian Dutill, Evelyn Caetano and Bruce and Val McCaffrey. Please read on for a special thank you from Dave and Cindy.

Dear Friends.

I look back on my Scouting days beginning in the 1950's with fondness. I was fortunate to have caught the scouting spirit early on in association with and mentoring by the area's best Scouting leaders. I was fortunate to do scout camping, high adventure and activities over the years locally, nationally and in international settings. For over thirty-three years it has been my pleasure to serve Hatboro Troop 3 as Troop Committee Chairman. The breath of experiences and friendships with this troop is amazing and noteworthy. I hope I made a difference. All of you through the years have made a significant impact on our lives.

I want to thank everyone for the wonderful tribute dinner honoring Cindy and me. I can appreciate the time and commitment for such an event. The program was fun, excellent and fine-tuned to every detail. Bob and Barbara John and the committee are to be praised for hosting the event in this the 70th Anniversary year of the founding of the troop. The event certainly showed the quality and heart of our volunteers. Thank you for your gift that will remind us of your friendship in good works.

I have not retired from scouting, just as the Troop Committee Chair. I look forward to our continued association. I am pleased that many have stepped up to new leadership that will continue our quality service to young people.

The Cooper's thank you for the years we shared together.

Rudy Tellman:

I want to thank everyone, on behalf of the Tellmann and Dieterly families to everyone who came out to Rudy's visitation, mass or burial. I saw a number of Troop 3 scouters present, It was a great tribute to a true scouting man. I especially want to thank Andrew Larsson and Dan McKay who stood honor guard for Rudy.

Ben Iaia Eagle Scout:

On Monday June 3, 2019, we held a short impromptu Eagle Ceremony for Ben Iaia. Ben's brother Jimmy was recently commissioned 2nd Lt. in the US Army and left the area on June 25. Jimmy really wanted to be with Ben when he received his Eagle Medal and so at Mason Mill Park, we awarded Ben his Eagle Medal with all of his family present. Congratulations Ben on a job well done.

Crayfish Corps:

This was something new we tried this year and with the help of Mr. Snyder it was very successful. 11 youth attended this event including Nate Snyder, Kenny Kirsch, Ethan Stanzilis, Jack Coughlin, Riley Russell and his sister Ashley, Jason Caetano, Mike Brown, Isaac Kakiko, Cameron Arbuckle and Andrew Marks. In addition, 8 adults attended including Jared Snyder, Mark Kirsch, Jim Yankowski, Franco Kakiko, Deb Schubert, Jim Brown, Evelyn Caetano and Dan Marks. The group counted just shy of 100 native crayfish and a handful of

rusty crayfish the invasive species. Some of our scouts had a difficult time. To read more about the National Park Services efforts in removing the invasive species go to <https://www.nps.gov/vafo/getinvolved/crayfishcorps.htm> .

Haycock Mountain Trip:

Last weekend Troop 3 traveled to our property at Haycock Mountain on Lake Nockamixon. This was not a traditional trip as the Troop stopped at Hellerick Family Farm and did some climbing and ziplining. After leaving Hellericks, the troop went to Nockamixon and launched canoes and kayaks, boating from the launch to our property. The troop then backpacked into camp. On Sunday, the troop climbed Haycock Mountain and held scouts own. Big thanks to Mr. Jones for planning this trip and to the other adult staff who went along.

NEWS AND NOTES:

Missing Equipment:

I have been told by our equipment coordinators that we are missing a lot of troop equipment especially adult tents. I would ask everyone to please take a look around and be sure that you have no troop equipment outstanding. If you have equipment, please bring it to the church at the July 8 troop meeting.

Annual Plan:

The troop committee and staff had their first review of the 2019-2020 Annual Plan at the last committee meeting. It will now be back in the hands of the TLC to see if they want to make any changes. Once that is complete, the troop committee and staff will adopt it at the July Staff Meeting. It is my hope to have the annual plan published by the end of July.

Introduction to Leadership Skills Training (ILST):

Anyone who is a member of the TLC or a staff position will need to complete this training. This is a troop run event and I am looking for a date in August. We are still in the process of putting this together, but all troop officers will need to complete the training. I will speak with the TLC to try and find a convenient day.

70th Anniversary Troop Family Picnic:

We are currently in the planning stages of the Troop 70th Anniversary Family Picnic. This event will be held in mid-September and will be held either at Lake Nockamixon, Peace Valley Park or Green Lane Park. A firm date will be set in the very near future; however, we are looking seriously at September 14. Please stay tuned for more information on this important event.

Washington District 2019 Camporee:

This year's camporee will be held in October and Troop 3 has an essential role in developing

the Saturday morning program. We are making good progress, there is a plan and now we will be looking for some help to put it all together. We will have more information soon but we are looking at late August to try out the obstacle course so we will need some help in mid-August. If you are interested in helping, please let ASM Ryan Walsh know.

Religious Emblem (Ad+Altare+Dei):

If any Catholic scout interested in earning the Ad+Altare+Dei award, there is a class scheduled to begin on Monday July 22, 2019. This will take place at St. Christopher's Parish, 13301 Proctor Rd, Philadelphia, PA. Contact Deacon Jim at 215-673-5177 for more information.

GREAT THINGS OUR SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS ARE DOING:

Keith Valley Middle School Junior Honor Society:

On Thursday June 6, 2019, five of our scouts were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society at Keith Valley Middle School. This is a huge achievement as there is a scholarship component and a service component in order to attain membership. Congratulations to Andrew Marks, Apollo Marks, Jack Thompson, Nick Wagner and Isaac Kakiko.

New Pistol Instructors:

On Saturday and Sunday June 1 and 2, Mr. Bob Dieterley, Jeff Dieterly, Jim Lavelle and Jim Brown went to Musser Scout Reservation where they completed pistol instructor training. This brings another facet now to our shooting sports program. Thanks Bob, Jeff Jim and Jim for your dedication.

70th ANNIVERSARY FACT:

In 1972, Troop 3 was down to handful of boys, Stoy Weaver was the key person who held the troop together during the search. Then, in June, 1972, Bob John ('72 – 2012) expressed his interest in taking over the troop. John had been a continuous member of the troop starting in 1958 and had just graduated from Law School. While John thought the situation was desperate, Weaver showed his conservative nature and insisted on calling together the other adults to discuss the matter. The ad hoc committee made it official in September and John was the new Scoutmaster.

John's first camping trip was to College Settlement. After a great game of football, the boys sat around the campfire that night and John challenged them to develop a program for the next year. The Scouts had heard his stories about Camp Comer in Alabama, and they told him that was where they wanted to go to summer camp.

The Troop Committee was reluctant to endorse such a trip, but John was not going to be denied and he set out to recruit a staff. He also set a goal to have at least 30 boys by the summer of '73.

THEME:
ADVANCEMENT

ASSIGNMENTS:
• Pre-Opening: Paw Patrol

SCOUT SKILL:
NONE

- **Opening:** Louie's Guards
- **Closing:** Boxing Marshmallows
- **Service:** Iron Potatoes

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Meetings	Service	Camping	District/Council Events	Other
7/1: Troop Meeting 7/8: Troop Meeting 7/22: Troop Meeting 7/22: Chris Careno Eagle Ceremony 7/29: Troop Meeting		7/15 - 7/20: Summer Camp		7/27 - 7/31: Venture Crew Trip