

# HATBORO BOY SCOUT TROOP 3

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## Troop 3 Newsletter

Dear Scouts, Scouters, Parents and Friends of Troop 3,

On June 1, 2015, I issued my very first newsletter as Scoutmaster. At that time I was excited for the challenges that were ahead of me. I was excited to be the Scoutmaster of the best scouting unit not only in Washington District but in the Cradle of Liberty Council. I had a fantastic group of adults that were serving our youth alongside of me and I knew that together we would continue the great traditions of Hatboro Troop 3.

Fast forward 5 years and I can't believe all that we have accomplished together. As I reflect on the past 5 years, I think about all of the youth that we have served and how the scouting program has effected each one of them. As I now prepare to exit Troop 3 as Scoutmaster, I take with me memories of great trips, great events and the best group of scouts any troop has ever known.

Before I hold my final troop meeting at the end of June, I will find a way to thank everyone that has been a part of the success of this troop for the past 5 years. Whether you have dropped your son off for a meeting or a trip, counseled a merit badge, flipped a pancake, served ham and turkey, talked at a troop meeting, took scouts in your car to a trip, walked a battlefield, canoed a stream or hiked a mountain, you are a part of the reason that this troop is the very best. We have been through some challenging times lately, but the mission of Troop 3 continues. Together, we have kept this troop operating and as they say "we will get through this together."



So, Thank you! Thank you for all that you have done for me and for this troop. Thank you for the support you have all shown me and for what I have tried to accomplish. To our scouts, thank you for putting your faith in me. Thank you for allowing me to be a mentor and a friend. As I move on to a new phase of scouting, I will never forget the past 5 years and all that scouting has meant to me.

One last thing. I encourage everyone to continue to show support to Mr. Grimes as he now steps up to become the 15th Scoutmaster of Troop 3. If you show him the support that you all gave to me, we can not fail.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### Parents Night

The troop administration is currently working on a plan to present our 2020 Spring Parents Night. We have set the date for Monday June 29, 2020. This will be a virtual parents night with many of the activities pre-recorded. We have a lot to do that night so this may begin on Zoom at 7:00 PM. This troop has accomplished quite a bit in the past 6 months and those accomplishments need to be recognized. It is important to the continuity of the troop that we also have a proper transition from one scoutmaster to the next. We will be sending out information soon on how it will work. Please plan on joining us on June 29, 2020



### 2020-2021 Annual Plan

On Thursday, June 11, 2020, our new Senior Patrol Leader will present to the Troop Staff and Committee the first draft of the new annual plan. The TLC has been working on this since early May. It is important that we support what they have decided to do in the next program year. I hope you will join us on June 11 at 7:30 PM. Zoom link and instructions will be sent that week.

### Re-scheduling of other Events

We have now cancelled all of our outdoor events in the month's of March, April, May and June. I think if you were to ask anyone, this was the last thing we wanted to do but we really had no choice. That being said, as of now, none of these events will be re-scheduled. We may try to add some of them to the next annual plan but that will be a decision of the TLC. I would still like to mulch the beds at Hatboro Baptist Church sometime in June but that depends on the opening of events according to the Governor.

### Camp Cards

A few weeks ago I sent everyone an email regarding this years Camp/Adventure Card Campaign. It looks a little bit different then last year but they are certainly available. You simply order on line at the link that was in the email and using the PIN number that was

also provided. If you enter the scouts name and last initial (Robert W) funds can be added to the scouts account . Should you have any questions, I encourage you to reach out to Kevin McKay our Camp/Adventure Card coordinator at [kbmckay90@gmail.com](mailto:kbmckay90@gmail.com) .

## NEWS AND NOTES:

### Pennsylvania Child Protection Law

If your Pennsylvania State Police Criminal Background check, your Child Abuse Background check or your FBI clearance have expired or will expire, you need to get these items completed now. You will not remain registered by the Cradle of Liberty Council without these items. Please bear in mind, that if you filed for a Child Abuse Clearance in 2015, you will need to make a new account to file for one in 2020. Everyone who is in need should have received an email by this point. If you have not yet completed this, please do so as soon as possible.

### Messengers of Peace Award

About the Messengers of Peace Award:

The Messengers of Peace program aims to highlight global service efforts by supporting scouts' community service and encouraging Scouts to share their actions with others to help build a global network of service. If a Scout does a service action and shares it with others, they can earn a Messengers of Peace badge. The main goal is to inspire Scouts to continue their community service or to join efforts with other scouts from around the globe. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MESSENGERS OF PEACE AWARD PARTICIPATION COUNTS TOWARD A CONSERVATION SERVICE PROJECT.**



How to Earn Your "Messenger of Peace" Award with this project:

- A. Follow the participation guidelines ("How") below
- B. Spend at least two hours collecting trash
- C. Report your efforts

at [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe5ljKIT6H\\_GSXiyEajEQkWdleG-NxFhfmH8oqD9YpXQIP0MQ/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe5ljKIT6H_GSXiyEajEQkWdleG-NxFhfmH8oqD9YpXQIP0MQ/viewform) For ease in record keeping, Scout Leaders may report all unit involvement in a single entry.

D. Have your unit leaders report service hours on "Internet Advancement," and purchase your badge with other Scout awards at your local scout shop or through National Distribution

E. More information may be found at: <https://www.scouting.org/international/international-adventure/1000000-pieces-of-trash/>

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Summer Camp 2020

# RODNEY

As you all know, the same day that the May newsletter went out, we learned that the Cradle of Liberty Council would not be opening Resica Falls for summer camp this year. We also learned that the council would be doing a virtual camp and as the troop leadership looked at this possibility, we decided that this was not something we would do as a troop. After learning of the shutdown, we began to look for an alternative. We found room at Camp Rodney in Maryland. At our May staff meeting, the troop staff and committee discussed the many issues related to summer camp. At this time, we are planning to attend Rodney but certainly those plans could change. While we are planning to go to Rodney, we also began to look at other options in case there was a change in plans. Please continue to look for information regarding summer camp. As we receive it we will pass it on. We completely understand if there are families unwilling to send their scouts to summer camp. If that is the case, please let us know, If anyone still wants to go to summer camp, please contact Mr. Dutil.

## Giving Tuesday

One of the things that we do at parent's night is our Friends of Scouting Campaign. This year because of Covid-19, the Cradle of Liberty Council changed to a giving campaign. We understand that many families are struggling right now. Please read below and if you feel you want to give, please do. The link to give is at the bottom.

### Join The Cradle of Liberty Council in its first multi-day social giving campaign!

Thanks to locally developed #ScoutingAtHome programming Cradle of Liberty Council has remained one of the only constants for Scouting families over the past two months. If you have enjoyed our virtual Merit Badges, Campfires, or Cub Scout programming we'd like to invite you to join our Scouting Community in making a gift towards the 11-day peer-to-peer campaign coinciding with this week's national Giving Tuesday.

We are appealing to you and those who love Scouting best to help see our programs through until camping operations can resume, corporate partners can reopen, and conditions are safe for unit fundraisers like Adventure Cards and popcorn.

Help **Secure the Adventure** with your District, Unit or Unami Lodge by making a contribution to this campaign. Donations of any size are appreciated and will help us continue to deliver quality online programming until its safe for us to gather around the council fire once more

Mark your calendars for **May 5th** when the

**Secure the Adventure Campaign** launches on social media!

*As you see these messages, please take a moment to share the links with family and friends.*

**View Troop 3's Sample Secure the Adventure Page Here:**

<https://donations.scouting.org/#/council/525/appeal/3082>

## Hershey Park Tickets

Some of you may have been wondering about the status of the Hershey Park tickets that you ordered back in March. Mrs. Batman has received the following communication from Hershey Park.

Thank you for your continued patience. Given the information currently available, and assuming Pennsylvania lifts the closure order of non-life sustaining businesses, Hersheypark will now work to open in early June, 2020. Our group tickets, including earned complimentary tickets purchased before the start of our 2020 summer season will be valid through June 30, 2021. Tickets will be shipped asap.

## GREAT THINGS OUR SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS ARE DOING

### Advancement during the shutdown

We continue to have advancement during the shutdown of scouting activities and this month I am proud to report the following advancement.

**Merit Badges:** Isaac and Ivan Kakiko both earned Family Life Merit Badges. Isaac Kakiko also earned Journalism and Photography Merit Badges and Josh Summer earned Citizenship in the Nation. In addition, the following scouts completed Communication MB. They include Josh Summer, Jack Coughlin, Jack Thompson, Aidan Robin, Leo Baranowski, Riley Russell and Kenny Kirsch.

**Rank Advancement:** Brady Brzowski earned 1st class and Aiden Robin and Kavish Singh both earned Tenderfoot.

Congratulations to all of these scouts!

### Congratulations

I want to congratulate our new TLC that was elected on Monday May 2, 2020. Ivan Kakiko was elected as the SPL and he will split the year with now ASPL Andrew Marks. Congratulations to both Ivan and Andrew. There is no doubt that these two scouts will continue to move the troop forward. I also want to congratulate Josh Summer who will be serving the year as the Troop Guide for the 1st year patrol. Josh is an outstanding scout and this was an easy decision. Finally, we have 4 new patrol leaders rounding out the TLC. They include Nick Wagner, Tom Dutil, Michael Brown and Jack Thompson. Congratulations to all of these scouts.

### Thank You

Speaking of the TLC, I want to offer my congratulations to our outgoing TLC. Nate Kephart and Manas Date did an outstanding job serving this troop as co-SPL's during this past year. Even with the challenges of Covid-19, they continued to lead the TLC and engage with the troop. A huge thank you to Nate and Manas. I also want to thank our patrol leaders, Josh Summer, Jesse Senegetto and Ethan Stanzilis and our Troop Guides Nate Snyder and Andrew Marks. Some of these scouts are moving on to new positions and we wish them luck, but thank you to this TLC who worked hard over the last year.

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS



Happy Birthday to the following who are celebrating their birthdays in the month of June

Ivan Kakiko 6/1  
Aiden Robin 6/23

## ACTIVITY CALENDAR

There is no activity calendar this month. We will advise as events are scheduled or re-scheduled

**THEME:**

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**ASSIGNMENTS:**

- Pre-Opening:
- Opening:
- Closing:
- Service:

**SCOUT SKILL:**

None

**Meetings**

**Service**

**Camping**

**District/  
Council Events**

**Other**

Troop Meeting 6/2  
7:30 PM Virtual

Roundtable 6/10  
7:15 PM Virtual

Troop Meeting 6/8  
7:30 PM Virtual

Troop Staff - 6/11  
7:30 PM Virtual

Troop Meeting  
6/15 7:30 PM  
Virtual

Troop Meeting  
6/22 Virtual

Parent's Night 6/29  
Virtual