



HATBORO TROOP 3

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

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Hello Troop 3 Family!

"Change is the only constant in life" said Heraclitus, a Greek philosopher who lived about 2,500 years ago, and September is going to bring some more change as Summer draws to a close.

Soon the Scouts will be back to school in some form or fashion, but school nonetheless. Maybe you're nervous or excited, maybe a little of both. Maybe you are frustrated to be learning online again, maybe you are relieved that you can stay home. Regardless of how you are feeling about it, the new school year is starting soon, so Be Prepared!

Our new program year also begins this month, and we are kicking it off with a trip to the Manassas National Battlefield Park. Mr. Waeltz, our resident Civil War buff, will be our tour guide. I hope that you will join us.

Summer is done but our outdoor meetings will continue. We will be returning to our traditional meeting format, including Class A uniforms, just outdoors. For the time being

we will be meeting in the Church parking lot by the troop room where there is the most light.

Change can be disruptive, but change can be good, too. Either way, change brings new opportunities. So embrace change, remain flexible, work hard, and continue to do your best. Make the most out of every opportunity!

Yours in Scouting,
Mr. Keith Grimes

COVID-19 PROCEDURES

As always, the safety of our Scouting family is of utmost importance. We are following State, Local, and Council guidelines when conducting in-person activities. All in-person activities are being held outdoors, masks are required when 6' social distance cannot be maintained, and we are conducting health screening with temperature checks on all participants upon arrival.

If you are having symptoms (fever, shortness of breath, fatigue, diarrhea, etc.) or if you know you have been exposed to Coronavirus in the last 2 weeks, please stay home and take care of yourself.

If you or someone in your household is immuno-compromised or if you are just not comfortable, it is ok to stay home. We would love to see everyone, but participation in troop activities is totally voluntary.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TLC Meeting

Tuesday, September 1st at 7:30 PM, will be our next TLC Meeting to discuss August and September and to plan October. Weather permitting, we will be on the patio in Mr. Grimes's back yard where we can spread out.

Labor Day - No Troop Meeting

Monday, September 7th is Labor Day and there will be no Troop Meeting on this night.

Troop Staff and Committee Meeting

On **Thursday, September 10th at 7:30 PM** the Troop Staff and Committee will meet outdoors at the church on the small lawn around back. We will be discussing August and September and planning October. Bring your own chair!

Ivan Kakiko's Eagle Project

Ivan Kakiko anticipates approval of his Eagle Project in the near future. He will be leading construction of a new campfire area at College Settlement. It is a large project and he

could use your help. Weather permitting, work will commence **Saturday, September 12th from 8 am to 4 pm** and continue on **Sunday, September 13th at 8 am** until the the project is done. The project is on the Kuhn Day Camp side, so please park and meet near the sports fields.

Outdoor Troop Meeting

We will be having an outdoor troop meeting on **Monday, September 14th at 7:30 PM** in the church parking lot. We will have a visitor to help learn about fire starting and we will be practicing basic knots and lashings. We will also be planning menus for the September Trip to Manassas.

September Trip - Manassas National Battlefield Park



Our September Trip will take us to the Manassas National Battl efield Park, the site of the two Battles of Bull Run. The [First Battle of Bull Run](#) , also known as the Battle of First Manassas, was fought on July 21, 1861. It was the first major battle of the American Civil War and was a Confederate victory.

The [Second Battle of Bull Run](#) was fought on August 28 to August 30, 1862. General Lee's bold Second Manassas campaign opened the way for the south's first invasion of the north, and a bid for foreign intervention in the war.

We will meet in the HBC parking lot on **Friday, September 18th at 6:00 PM** and return **Sunday, September 20th around 4 PM** . All COVID-19 precautions will be in effect including minimizing people handling food as Patrols do their own cooking and tents will be restricted to one camper per tent.

We'll be camping at the Bull Run Regional Camp. On Saturday, we will be touring the Battlefield on foot, making for a 10-mile hike. On Sunday, we plan to visit the [National Museum of the Marine Corps](#), if it is reopened by then.

The cost is only \$35 per person, plus the cost of Patrol Food. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Waeltz at 215-206-0276 or bwaeltz@verizon.net. Sign up deadline is September 14th. [Facebook Event](#)

Outdoor Troop Meeting

On **Monday, September 21st at 7:30 PM** we will meeting in the HBC Parking Lot. Patrols will be working on a pioneering project for display at our upcoming recruiting event.

Outdoor Troop Meeting - Recruiting Event

On **Monday, September 28th at 7:00 PM** we will inviting local Cub Packs for a recruiting event in the HBC Parking Lot. Patrols will man stations to teach our visitors basic Scout knots and other skills. Note the early start time.

NEWS AND NOTES

New Troop T-Shirts

2020 Troop 3 T-Shirts



We are now accepting pre-orders for the new Troop T-Shirts. The shirts have brown print on a light orange wicking shirt. Please place your pre-order of size and quantity, so that we can figure out how many shirts to purchase:

[T-Shirt Pre-Order Form](#)

The shirts will cost \$15. Payment can be made when they are picked up.

2020-2021 Annual Plan

The new Program Year has begun! Besides Manassas, there are many other exciting trips coming up, including Summer Camp at Haliburton Scout Reserve in Ontario Canada! Please mark important dates on your family calendar.

The full Annual Plan can be found on the troop website: <http://www.hatborotroop3.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/2020-2021-Annual-.pdf>

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 as soon as possible. You cannot remain registered by the Cradle of Liberty Council without these items.

Please keep in mind that these documents are good for 5 years. If you filed for a Child Abuse Clearance in 2015 when these requirements came out, you will need to file new ones in 2020. Everyone who is in need should have received an email from Council.

If you have not yet completed this, please do so as soon as possible.

Contact Mr. Dutill or me if you have any questions.

Youth Protection Training

YPT training renewal is now due for many of our adult staff. Please be sure that you are up to date, as this is also needed for inclusion on the 2021 Troop Charter.

Go to my.scouting.org to check your status and retake training.

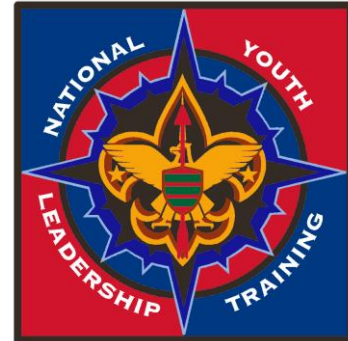
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National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)

NYLT is a great leadership program for Scouts. You must hold the rank of First Class or higher to attend. This training a requirement to be SPL of Troop 3, and is highly recommended for Patrol Leaders. If you are interested in being SPL someday, check it out! The course spans two weekends, **October 2nd through 4th and October 9th through 11th** , and you must attend both weekends.

Registration for NYLT closes on **Friday, September 25th** .

Click here to [Register for NYLT](#)



GREAT THINGS OUR SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS ARE DOING

Advancement



Rank Advancement:

Dean Barbor earned Star
Isaac Kakiko earned Star

Nice work, Scouts!

Biking the Lehigh Gorge



On August 14th through the 16th we were back to patrol camping at Hickory Run State park. We enjoyed at 26-mile bike ride on the D&L rail trail from White Haven to Jim Thorpe

in the beautiful Lehigh Gorge, Scout's Own near Hawk Falls, and bouldering the Boulder Field.

Isaac Kakiko Knee Injury

While it is not a great thing to celebrate, it is worth mentioning. Isaac badly injured his knee playing soccer and had surgery last week.

He's got a 4+ month recovery ahead of him. Please keep Isaac and the Kakiko Family in your thoughts and prayers.

Speedy recovery, Isaac!



Ethan Stanzilis Turning 18



Ethan Stanzilis turns 18 this month and is aging out of the troop. Ethan joined Troop 3 at the age of 13 in March 2016 with his costep-brother, Jesse Senegeto. He has been a very active member of the Troop, attending most camping trips and frequently helping with service projects.

Good Luck, Ethan!

Joint Troop Meeting

To cap off the Summer, we had a Joint Troop meeting with Troops 81B & 81G and Troop 818. The Scouts enjoyed a spirited Kickball game. A great time was had by all, and it was wonderful to see everyone together.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Happy Birthday to the following Scouts who are celebrating birthdays in the month of September!

Reilly Russel 9/11
Ethan Stanzilis 9/20

ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Meetings	Service	Camping	District/ Council Events	Other
9/1 TLC Meeting 7:30 PM Mr. Grimes's	9/12 Ivan's Eagle Project 8 am - 4 pm College Settlement	9/18-9/20 Hiking Manassas National Battlefield Park	9/9 Roundtable 7:15 PM Virtual	
9/7 Labor Day No Troop Meeting	9/13 Ivan's Eagle Project 8 am - Finish College Settlement			
9/10 Staff Meeting 7:30 PM Hatboro Baptist				

9/14 Troop
Meeting 7:30 PM
Hatboro Baptist

9/21 Troop
Meeting 7:30 PM
Hatboro Baptist

9/28 Troop
Meeting
Recruiting Event
7 PM
Hatboro Baptist

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