

HATBORO TROOP 3

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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MARCH NEWSLETTER

March 1, 2021

Hello Troop 3 Family!

It's hard to believe that February is over already and March is here. Those who know me, know that I love the snow, and we definitely got our share this year. Still I'm ready to put winter behind us. The snow is melting, and the days are already getting appreciably longer, which will be even more pronounced when the clocks "Spring Ahead" in just 2 weeks. The first day of Spring is only 20 days away!

Spring is a time of transition and rebirth. As they say, March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb. I urge all of you to take advantage of the change in weather to get away from the screens and get outdoors. There are dozens of trails within a 20-30 minute drive from home, or just take a walk around your neighborhood! The physical and mental health benefits cannot be overstated.

Under normal circumstances, we would be returning to outdoor camping this month. Instead, we will be having a day trip to the Elmwood Park Zoo. We plan to continue virtual

troop meetings during March, and will resume outdoor meetings in April. However, if the weather turns out to be gorgeous later on in the month, we may have to rethink that.

March also means it's Ham & Turkey Supper Time. The funds to be raised for the troop are as important as ever, and we need lots of support to make the event happen. See below for details on how you can help out.

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.

Please bring a completed copy of the <u>lastest COVID Questionnaire</u> with you to all events.

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

Troop Meeting on Zoom

Monday, March 1st at 7:30 PM, we will be having a regular troop meeting on Zoom and will be working on Pet Care merit badge.

TLC Meeting

Thursday, March 4th our monthly TLC meeting will be on Zoom.

Ham & Turkey Supper

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The annual Ham & Turkey Supper will be held **Saturday, March 6th**. It will look at little different this year as we will be serving Drive Thru Take-out Only from **4 PM to 7 PM**.

<u>Kitchen Help</u>: We will need about 6 to 7 adults to help out in the kitchen from **7 AM to 10 AM**. Tasks for the morning will include cutting vegetables and bread for stuffing and preparing and cooking turkeys.

<u>Serving station Set-up</u>: At **3 PM** we will need 4 to 5 adults in the kitchen to finish cooking things like vegetables, cutting meat and making sure that the food gets out to serving dishes in Fellowship Hall.

<u>Serving Stations</u>: At **3:30 PM to 7 PM** we will need help in Fellowship Hall with the filling of orders as they come up from the parking lot. The filling of orders will be our largest task of the day.

<u>Parking Lot</u>: Scouts and a limited number of adults will be in the parking lot collecting tickets, taking orders, and running orders to cars. This will be split into two shifts **3 PM to 6 PM** and **5 PM to Closing**.

If you haven't already done so, please contact Mr. Waeltz as soon as possible with a time slot. (215-206-0276 or bwaeltz@verizon.net)

Troop Meeting on Zoom or Escape Room

Monday, March 8th at 7:30 PM, we will be doing an Escape Room of one sort or another. We are still working on possibly holding the troop meeting at Expedition Escape in Montgomeryville. If that doesn't work out, we will be doing a Virtual Escape Room during the meeting on Zoom. Details to follow later on this week.

Troop Staff and Committee Meeting

Thursday, March 11th at 7:30 PM the Troop Staff and Committee will be meeting in Fellowship Hall at the church. We will be reviewing February and March, and planning April.

Troop Meeting on Zoom

Monday, March 15th at 7:30 PM, we will be having a regular troop meeting on Zoom. We will be conducting a Virtual Scavenger Hunt.

Day Trip to Elmwood Park Zoo



We will be having a day trip to the Elmwood Park Zoo on **Saturday, March 20th**. We will meet in the church parking lot at **9 AM** and carpool to Norristown. Transportation for Scouts is available. We anticipate being back to the church around **1 PM**.

The cost of the trip is \$13. See flyer for details

If you are interested in going, please contact Mr. Kirsch by **March 12th** at waldo9498@yahoo.com or 267-879-9941.

Troop Meeting on Zoom

Monday, March 22nd at 7:30 PM, we will be having a regular troop meeting on Zoom. We will be working on Cyberchip.



Troop Meeting on Zoom



Monday, March 29th at 7:30 PM, we will be having a regular troop meeting on Zoom. We will be holding a Scout Skill Talent Show!

NEWS AND NOTES

Parent's Night

Our Semi-Annual Parent's Night is right around the corner on April 5th. We have not finalized plans yet, but we are going to try and hold it at the same location at College Settlement Camp as we did back in October. More details will follow on that. However, if you have pictures to share, please get them to Mr. Marks or Mr. John.

Summer Camp at Resica Falls

Plans for Summer Camp are under way! We will be heading to Resica Fall from July 4th to the 10th. Click here for the flyer.

The cost for camp is \$460 for Scouts and \$200 for Adults.

First payment of \$100 was due **February 1st** . Second payment of \$100 is due **March 1st** .

Please contact Mr. Dutill at 267-280-2509 or bdutill@verizon.net, if you have any questions.



Cost should never be a reason for a Scout to miss out on Summer Camp. Camperships and fundraising opportunities are available.

Changes to 2020-2021 Annual Plan

There are many exciting trips coming up in 2021! Please mark important dates on your family calendar.

Click here for the Revised 2020-2021 Annual Plan

GREAT THINGS OUR SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS ARE DOING

Rank Advancement



Dean Barbor earned Life!

Merit Badges



Communications Merit Badge: Apollo Marks



Cooking Merit Badge: Dean Barbor



Personal Fitness Merit Badge: Charlie Batman



Game Design Merit Badge: Apollo Marks Jack Thompson

Riley Russel - Eastern Regional Scholar Athlete



Congratulations to Riley Russel! I love to be able to celebrate accomplishments outside of Scouts. He was selected as a member of the 2020 ALL BUX-MONT LEAGUE SCHOLAR-ATHLETE TEAM as well as the EASTERN REGIONAL SCHOLAR ATHLETE! The Eastern Region includes New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware and Washington, D.C.

Great work, Riley!!

Brodie Swiegart Organizes Neighborhood Drive

Brodie Sweigard heard there was a need for personal hygiene products in the community. He organized a drive in his neighborhood, and donated the collections to St. John's pantry.

Talk about living Scouting ideals in everyday life! This is tremendous, Brodie!



MARCH BIRTHDAYS



The following Scout is celebrating his birthday this month: Manas Date - March 22

ACTIVITY CALENDAR				
Meetings	Service	Camping	District/ Council Events	Other
3/1 Troop Mtg 7:30 PM Zoom		3/20 Day Trip to Elmwood Park Zoo 9 AM - 1 PM	3/10 Roundtable 7:15 PM Zoom	3/6 Ham & Turkey Supper 4-7 PM
3/4 TLC 7:30 PM Zoom		C7		
3/8 Troop Mtg 7:30 PM Zoom				
3/11 Staff Meeting 7:30 PM Hatboro Baptist				
3/15 Troop Mtg 7:30 PM Zoom				
3/22 Troop Mtg 7:30 PM				

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