# HATBORO TROOP 3 BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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#### SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

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Hello Troop 3 Family!

Happy New Year!! What? It's only September! Well, the new program year has begun, and I am really excited about what's ahead of us. Check out the newly revised annual plan below. We added more info, and shifted a couple of dates around. We still need trip coordinators for trip in the Spring and Summer. Please give that some consideration, and let me know if you are able. If you have never run a trip before, don't worry, we'll help you through it.

This month we'll be heading to Antietam for a bike trip, and we've also got a couple of good turns going on. Do a Good Turn Daily, well how about three? September 11th is going to be a busy Saturday. I understand if you can't do it all, but I ask that you make a point of doing at least one. We really need the support and so do the organizations that we're helping. Because of COVID, we have gotten away from community service, and it's time to get back to it, as it is a big part of Scouting.

Camping is also a big part of Scouting, and I am hoping to see participation improve with everyone's busy Summer schedules behind us. There are great trips coming up this Fall.

We will also be having a recruiting event during a troop meeting in mid-October. The date has yet to be finalized. If you know a Webelo in a local Cub Pack, please reach out and encourage them to come. Better yet, if you know a den leader, reach out to them as well. Scouts, it would be great to encourage a friend to join, too! Leo, Adam, and Jackson are great Scouts, but adding only three Scouts in the last two years is worrisome to me. We need to make a concerted effort to improve recruiting this year. I need everyone to reach out to friends and family in the area to help generate interest.

Lastly, I hope that everyone has a great school year!

Yours in Scouting, Mr. Keith Grimes

# **COVID-19 PROCEDURES**

Recent change: For indoor troop events, we will follow the guidance of that establishment. Currently, Hatboro Baptist Church requires all individuals, regardless of vaccination status, to wear a mask inside.

Masks are not required for outdoor troop 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.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### Labor Day - No Troop Meeting



Monday, September 6th is Labor Day.

Have a Happy and Safe Labor Day! We will not be having a troop meeting.

#### **TLC Meeting**

**Tuesday, September 7th at 7:30 pm** the TLC will meet at my house to discuss August and September, and to plan October.

**Troop Staff and Committee Meeting** 

**Thursday, September 9th at 7:30 PM** the Troop Staff and Committee will be outdoors by troop room, so bring a chair. We will be reviewing August and September, and planning October. We will continue troop staff reorganization and discuss recruiting.

Good Turn - Parking Lot for the Lobster Pot

**Friday, September 10th from 5 - 6:30 PM**, we will be setting up the parking lot for the Lobster Pot dinner taking place on Saturday. This year it will be at <u>Hatboro Memorial Park</u>, behind the swimming pool. No uniform necessary.

Saturday, September 11th from 4 - 6:45 PM, we will be directing parking traffic for the Lobster Pot dinner. Same location, <u>Hatboro Memorial Park</u>, behind the pool. Please wear your Class A uniform.



Good Turn - Library Bazaar at Hatboro Union Library



Saturday, September 11th is the Union Library's Library Bazaar. Established in 1755, the <u>Hatboro Union</u> <u>Library</u> is the 3rd oldest Library in Pennsylvania, and Troop 3 has been helping with the Bazaar almost as long. They cannot do it without our help, so please come out and lend a hand. We'll be setting up from **8 - 9 AM** and taking down from **1:45 - 2:45 PM**. Please wear your Class B uniform.

#### **Outdoor Troop Meeting**

**Monday, September 13th at 7:30 PM,** we will be meeting outdoors at the church. We will have extended patrol corners and will be conducting Part 2 of the Fitness Assessment started in August.

#### Biking at the Antietam National Battlefield

**September 17-19th,** we'll be heading down to the <u>Antietam National Battlefield</u> in Sharpsburg, MD where 23,000 soldiers were killed, wounded or missing after twelve hours of savage combat on September 17, 1862. It is an anniversary weekend, so there will be special activities and demonstrations. We will be touring on bikes to see as much as we can. <u>See flyer for</u> <u>details.</u>



We'll meet at the church Friday, September 17th at 6 pm and return Sunday, September 19th around 3 pm .

The cost of the trip is \$35 for youth and \$45 for adults , plus patrol food.

We need a head count by **September 6th!** So, please contract Mr. Waeltz if you are interested. (215) 206-0276 or bwaeltz@verizon.net)

Outdoor Troop Meeting

Monday, September 20th at 7:30 PM, we will be meeting in the HBC parking lot by the troop room with activities related to biking, the theme of the month. Bring your bike for the activities!

**Outdoor Troop Meeting** 

Monday, September 27th, we will be meeting in the HBC parking lot by the troop room.

### NEWS AND NOTES

New 2021-2022 Annual Plan

The 2021-2022 Annual Plan was approved by the Troop Committee on July 15th and we filled in many dates for events throughout the year. The latest revision is below. Please take the time to read it over and mark important dates on your family calendar.

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	Theme	Camping Trip Date (Coordinator)	Troop & Patrol Meetings	Special Events & Good Turns	District & Council Events	Venture Program	TLC	Wash. RT	Staf Mtg
SEP	Biking	Antietam (Biking) 9/17 to 9/19 (Waeltz)	No Meeting 9/6	Library Bazaar 9/11 Lobster Pot 9/11	IOLS 9/10-9/12		7	15	9
oct	Knots/Lashing/ Pioneering	Camporee 10/16 to 10/18 (Waeltz)	Parents Night 10/4 Halloween Party 10/25	Pancake Breakfast 10/9 Recruitment Night (TBD)	OA Fall Festival at Resica 10/1-10/3 NYLT 10/1-10/3 & 10/8-10/10		5	13	14
NON	Service	West Point (Football Game) 11/12 to 11/14 (Summer)	Veteran's Night 11/8	Scouting for Food 11/1 Scouting for Food 11/13			2	10	11
DEC	First Aid	Doylestown Rock Gym (Overnight) TBD (Grimes)	Caroling 12/20 No Meeting 12/27	Wreaths Across America (Arlington) 12/18 Wreath's Across Hatboro 12/19			7	15	16
JAN	Advancement	Sterling Hill Mine 1/14 to 1/16 (Snyder)	OA Election TBD	Family Ski Night TBD HAT Packs 1/17	OA Lodge Dinner 1/9		4	12	13
EB	Gun Safety	Resica Falls 2/18 to 2/20 (Walsh)		Scout Sunday 2/13			1	9	10
MAR	Nature	Biking Abandoned Tumpike 3/19 to 3/21 (TBD)		Ham and Turkey Supper 3/5		Mt Washington 2/26-3/1	1	9	10
APR	Orienteering	Spruce Run/Ricketts Glen 4/22 to 4/24 (TBD)	Parents Night 4/4	HBC Mulching 4/9 Easter 4/17	OA Spring Service 1 (Musser) 4/8-4/10 Council Dinner TBD		5	13	14
MAY	Leave No Trace	Quehanna Trail (Backpacking) 5/20 to 5/22 (TBD/Lavelle)	Troop Re-org 5/2 No Meeting 5/30	Mother's Day 5/8 Pancake Breakfast 5/14 Whitemarsh Cemetery 5/29	District Dinner TBD OA Spring Service 2 5/13-5/15		з	11	12
NUC	Boating	Delaware River/Hunting Club (Canoeing) 6/17 to 6/19 (Brown)	Swim Tests 6/20	Horsham Day 6/4 Father's Day 6/19 Crayfish Corps TBD			7	15	16
JUL	Cooking	Cape Henlopen (Deep Sea Fishing) 7/8 to 7/10 (TBD)				ТВО ТВО	5		14
AUG	Fitness	Haliburton SR (Summer Camp) 7/29 to 8/7 (Dutil)					2		11

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# New Troop T-Shirts





Pets: Kenny Kirsch

#### **Dean Barbor's Eagle Project**

Dean Barbor completed his Eagle Project at the Hatboro Little League

complex **August 7th, 8th and 9th**. Dean, along with a host of volunteers, rebuilt the stairs to one of score boxes and made flower beds around the three memorial sign posts.

Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped Dean out, especially Mr. Murphy. And a big thank you to Hatboro Lumber for donating material!

Terrific work, Dean!



Andrew Larsson's Eagle Court of Honor





On **August 14th** we celebrated Andrew Larsson's accomplishment of attaining the rank of Eagle Scout! The ceremony was held at the amphitheatre at College Settlement with many guests of the Larsson family.

Congratulations, Andrew!

Hickory Run and Whitewater Rafting the Lehigh Gorge



On **August 20th to the 22nd** we camped at Hickory Run and shot the Class III rapids in the Lehigh Gorge. It was a dam release weekend, so the water levels were up. Attendance was low, so we let the Scouts do all of the cooking, and they did a commendable job with the steak tacos for dinner. We had a good bit of rain overnight Saturday into Sunday morning, but it let up in time for us to pack up and go.

Thank you Mr. Waeltz for making all of the arrangements! And thank you Mr. Atras for hauling the gear, we couldn't have done it without you!

**Spruce Run - Adult Work Weekend** 



**On August 27-29th,** a team of adults returned to College Settlement's Spruce Run Outpost to finish painting the lean-tos and clear up fallen branches. There is still plenty to do when we return in April 2022 with the whole troop.

Thank you Mr. Atras, Mr. Marks, Mr. Waeltz, Mr. Larsson, Mr. Brown, Mr. Murphy, and Mr. Lavelle!

And thank you Mr. Waeltz for all of the delicious food!

**Camp Cooper at the Summer's** 



9/6 No Troop Meeting 9/7 TLC 7:30 PM Mr. Grimes' House	9/10 5-6:30 PM Lobster Pot Parking Lot Hatboro Memorial Park	9/17-9/19 Biking at Antietam
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