

HATBORO TROOP 3

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



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DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

December 1, 2022

Hello Troop 3 Family!

It's the most wonderful time of the year! It's also the busiest and potentially most stressful time of the year, too. We've got several great family events coming up. I encourage you to take time out of your busy schedules and join us for some fun! Caroling is always a good time, and it's nice to spread some Holiday Cheer. I'd love to see some alumni back on Monday the 19th.

Caroling and laying the wreaths have become a couple of my favorite Holiday traditions that I really look forward to. They are two different experiences, but both very rewarding in their own way.

TNT Amusements is something new for us this year, but it's going to be a great time. Just a fun time out for a couple hours. I haven't played some of those games for while. I'm hoping they've got Galaga and Dig Dug, maybe even Asteroids.

I want to thank all of our staff and troop families again, for helping us to be the best possible program for youth. I really appreciate all of the time and effort. I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. Enjoy the time with family and friends!

Yours in Scouting,
Mr. Keith Grimes

ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Meetings	Service	Camping	District/ Council Events	Other
12/5 Troop Meeting 7:30 PM Hatboro Baptist	12/13 Project Blue Light 5:00 PM Horsham Fire House	No Camping 12/3 TNT Amusements 4:45 - 6:45 pm Southampton		12/28 Phantom's Hockey PPL Center 6:15 PM
12/6 TLC 7:30 PM Mr. Grimes' House	12/17 Wreaths Across America 8:00AM Arlington, VA			
12/8 Staff Meeting & Christmas Party 6 PM Mr. Grimes' House	12/18 Wreaths Across Hatboro 12 Noon Hatboro Baptist			
12/12 Troop Meeting 7:30 PM Hatboro Baptist				
12/19 Caroling 7:30 PM Hatboro Baptist				
12/26 No Troop Meeting				

UPCOMING EVENTS

TNT Amusements



December Day Trip to TNT Amusements

- Where: 1310 Industrial Blvd, Suite 3, Southampton, PA
- When: December 3, 2022
- Time: 4:45 – 6:45
- Cost \$20 includes game time and pizza
- If you need a ride....let us know
- Bring a friend!!

Let Mr. Marks know by December 2nd if you want to go.
dmmarks1@gmail.com or text at 732-684-6688

Saturday, December 3rd from 4:45 to 6:45 PM, we will be heading to [TNT Amusements in Southampton](#) for a evening of vintage arcade games and pizza. The cost is **\$20** and includes game time and pizza.

If you are interested, please contact Mr. Marks at dmmarks1@gmail.com or 732-684-6688

Troop Meeting

Monday, December 5th at 7:30 PM we will have a regular troop meeting at Hatboro Baptist Church.

TLC Meeting

Tuesday, December 6th at 7:30 pm the TLC will meet at my house to discuss November and December, and to plan January.

Troop Staff and Committee Meeting

Thursday, December 8th at 6:00 PM the Troop Staff and Committee will be meeting at my house for the Staff Christmas Party. This year we are trying something a little different. We'll have a potluck dinner at 6 pm, followed by the meeting to review November and December, and to plan January.



Troop Meeting

Monday, December 12th at 7:30 PM we will have a regular troop meeting at Hatboro Baptist Church.

Project Blue Light



VT3 will be doing the Project Blue Light once again this year on **Tuesday December 13th**. We will need help setting up, taking down and recording the program. We will meet at the [Horsham Fire Station](#), Parking and drop off are across the street at Deep Meadow Park, where the Horsham Little League fields are and a large parking lot. Pick-up can be at Deep Meadow Park or at the Community Center if you are eating dinner with us. There is plenty of parking there to.

Set up starts at 5:00 pm. Showtime is 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Dinner is served (courtesy of Mission BBQ) right after the program and for us as soon as we are packed up, in the Community Center which is within walking distance (right next store at 1025 Horsham Road) and has plenty of parking. We will wear class A uniforms and come dressed for the weather as it is usually cold.

Guests are also invited to attend the program, and have dinner, but you should try to be there by 6:20 pm because they close the road by then for the parade which takes about 10 minutes.

If you can make it and help out, scouts should contact Apollo Marks at 215-530-1337 and adults should contact Bob John at 215-704-5803.

This is always a nice event and many dignitaries will be there from Horsham Twp. and Montgomery County as this is a County event put on by Horsham Township.

Wreaths Across America



Saturday, December 17th we will be heading down to Arlington National Cemetery to help place wreaths on the nearly 400,000 graves. We will be parking at the Pentagon and meeting up near the gate at 8:00 AM. Details will be provided in a separate email.

If you are interested in joining us, but did not contact Mr. Waeltz, you can still register on your own and meet us there. You must have a ticket to enter, due to limited crowd size, but there is no cost.

Wreaths Across Hatboro

Sunday, December 18th we will be laying wreaths at the grave of the 37 veterans buried at Hatboro Baptist Cemetery, right in our own back yard. The ceremony will start at 12:30 PM. Please arrive by **12 Noon** to help set up.

Christmas Caroling



Monday, December 19th at 7:15 PM we will meet up at Hatboro Baptist Church before heading out into the community to spread some Holiday Cheer.

If you have any suggestions for families in the area to visit, please let me know.

Please bring 2 dozen cookies to share!

No Troop Meeting

There will be no Troop Meeting on **Monday, December 26th**. Merry Christmas!

Phantoms Hockey



Wednesday December 28
Lehigh Valley Phantoms vs. Bridgeport Islanders

Game Time: 7:05 PM PPL Center in Allentown

Mr. Pfeil arranged for a great block of seats in the Phantoms Attack Zone, behind the net where the Phantoms shoot twice. We also have the opportunity for up to 10 Scouts to be on the ice as part of the Honorary Color Guard for the National Anthem.

All tickets are \$23. Tickets are still available. Deadline to sign up is **December 5th**, but the sooner the better. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Pfeil as soon as possible at 215-519-3058 or gmpfeil@hotmail.com

Color Guard must wear Class A's and be at the [PPL Center](#) by **6:15 PM on December 28th**.

Bear Creek Family Ski Night

Family Ski Night at the [Bear Creek Mountain Resort](#) is scheduled for **Friday January 6th**. This is a fun night of skiing, snowboarding, and/or tubing.

If you are new to the slopes, this is a great opportunity to take some lessons, and get ready for our trip to **Elk Mountain on January 20-22**.

Details to follow...



NEWS AND NOTES

Latest 2022-2023 Annual Plan

See below for latest revision of the 2022-2023 Annual Plan. There have been a couple of minor changes. The TLC changed the June trip from Allaire State Park to the Gateway National Recreation Area (Sandy Hook, NJ). The Venture trip to Mt. Washington has been rescheduled to March 11-14. Mr. Murphy cannot make to originally scheduled dates of February 25-28.

Note that we are still in need of Trip Coordinators for the March, June, and August trips.

Please mark these important dates in your Family Calendar!

[Click here for the 2022-2023 Annual Plan](#)

Hatboro Troop 3 Annual Plan 2022-2023

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	Theme	Camping Trip Date (Coordinator)	Troop & Patrol Meetings	Special Events & Good Turns	District & Council Events	Venture Program	TLC	Wash RT	Staff Mtg.
SEP	Nature	World's End (Backpacking) 9/16 to 9/18 (Lavelle/Murphy)	No Meeting 9/5	Library Bazaar 9/10 Lobster Pot 9/10 Family Picnic 9/24 Gold Star Garden Dedication 9/25	IOLS 9/10-9/12 NYLT 9/30-10/2 E-Prep Weekend 9/30-10/2		6	14	8
OCT	Outdoor Ethics	Jersey Shore Camporee (Six Flags) 10/14 to 10/16 (Summer)	Parents Night 10/3 Halloween Recruiting Party 10/31	Pancake Breakfast 10/22	OA Fall Festival at Resica 10/7-10/9 NYLT 10/7-10/9		5	12	13
NOV	Cooking/Baking	Gettysburg 11/11 to 11/13 (Waeltz)	Veteran's Night 11/14	Scouting for Food 11/12 Scouting for Food 11/19 Recruitment Night TBD		Hatboro Holiday Parade 11/20	1	9	10
DEC	First Aid	TNT Amusements 12/3 (Marks)	Carding 12/19 No Meeting 12/26	Wreaths Across America (Arlington) 12/17 Wreath's Across Hatboro 12/18 Phantoms Hockey 12/28			6	14	8
JAN	Technology	Ek Mountain (Skiing) 1/20 to 1/22 (Kirsch)	OA Election TBD	Family Ski Night 1/6	OA Lodge Dinner TBD		3	11	12
FEB	Shooting	Resica Falls 2/17 to 2/19 (Walsh)		Scout Sunday 2/12		Mt Washington 3/11-3/14	7	8	9
MAR	Geography	New York City (Tour 9/11 Memorial) 3/17 to 3/19 (TBD)		Ham and Turkey Supper 3/4 Pack 17 Crossover 3/18			7	8	9
APR	Wilderness Survival	Spruce Run/Ricketts Glen 4/21 to 4/23 (Waeltz)	Parents Night 4/3	HBC Mulching 4/1 Easter 4/9	OA Spring Service 1 (Musser) TBD Council Dinner TBD		4	12	13
MAY	Fitness	Trap Pond (Canoeing) 5/19 to 5/21 (Lavelle)	Troop Re-org 5/1 No Meeting 5/29	Pancake Breakfast 5/13 Mother's Day 5/14 Whitemarsh Cemetery 5/27	District Dinner TBD OA Spring Service 2 (Resica) TBD		2 16 30	10	11
JUN	Aquatics	Gateway Nat'l Rec Area (Bike to Beach) 6/23 to 6/25 (TBD)	Swim Tests TBD	Horsham Day 6/3 Father's Day 6/18 Crayfish Corps TBD			6	14	8
JUL	Games/Sports	Heritage Reservation (Summer Camp) 7/16 to 7/22 (Duff)				Quehanna Trail TBD	5	-	13
AUG	Biking	Yorktown/Jamestown (Biking) 8/18-8/20 (TBD)					1	-	10

Revision C, Last Modified: 25 November 2022

Latest Modifications in red

TBD in purple

Trip or Event Coordinators are in (Parenthesis)

OA Calendar link: <http://www.unamtlodge.org/calendar>

Washington District Calendar link: https://www.cdfsa.org/index.php?itemid=804&option=com_events&view=month&task=month.calendar

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New Troop T-Shirts!

2022-2023 Troop T-Shirts



Sport-Tek Competitor Performance Shirt
Vibrant Green on True Royal

The new 2022-2023 Troop T-Shirts are now available to order! They are \$20 each. Please place your order online, then pay cash/check in person or Venmo @Brian-Dutill-1.

Deadline to order is December 5th.

[Place T-Shirt Order](#)

2024 Philmont Contingent



We have a crew reserved for the 2024 Cradle of Liberty Council Contingent for Philmont Scout Ranch. I don't have exact dates yet, but it will likely be in late-June to early-July 2024. The cost will likely be around \$3,000 to \$3,500 per person, which includes airfare, transportation, and lodging, as well as all camp fees.

If you are not familiar, Philmont Scout Ranch is the premiere BSA high adventure base in the US, if not the world. The backpacking trek will include 11-days on the trail. Sign up is far in advance to allow ample time for planning, training, and making affordable payments. Crew size is limited to 12 people, including a maximum of 3 adults. If you are interested, please let me know. I'll forward more info as it becomes available.

GREAT THINGS OUR SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS ARE DOING

Merit Badges



Citizenship in Society:

Leo Baranowski

Brady Brzowski

Ryan Finazzo

Isaac Kakiko

Kenny Kirsch

Justin Ryan

Josh Summer

Jack Thompson

Tom Dutill's Eagle Court of Honor



On Saturday November 5th, we held Tom Dutill's Eagle Court of Honor at College Settlement. The Dutill's generously provided a great banquet, thank you! It was great to see Joey, too.

Congratulations to Tom and the entire Dutill Family!

Gettysburg National Military Park





On November 11-13 we headed out to Gettysburg. We camped at the Daniel Lady Farm, which was a Confederate Headquarters leading up to the battle and Field Hospital after the battle. Saturday night we headed into town for a ghost tour. The weather was supposed to be lousy, especially Friday night, but the torrential rain never came. We broke the Bad November Weather streak. It was nice and cool over night and was quite warm Saturday afternoon, as you can tell by the t-shirts in the pictures above. We also had the best battlefield tour guide ever, Mr. Waeltz!

**Thanks for putting all of this together,
and providing a great tour, Mr. Waeltz!**

Scouting for Food



On **November 19th**, we assisted Pack 17 in the collection of over 800 bags of groceries for the food pantry at Lehman Church. Thank you to everyone who came out and lent a hand!

Great job, Pack 17!

Hatboro Holiday Parade



Cookie Wars!



On November 28th, we did Cookie Wars at little early this year. The patrols and the adults (thank you, Mr. Waeltz) all worked hard and had fun while doing it. However, the Hawaiian Hogs won the night with their S'mores cookies.

Great job, Aidan, Benny, and Apollo!

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!



We don't have any Scout birthdays this month.

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