

# HATBORO TROOP 3

## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



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**AUGUST NEWSLETTER**

**August 1, 2023**

Greetings Troop 3!

Wow, July flew by, but it was a great month to be a Scout. We were able to successfully dodge the weather for outdoor meetings on Mondays for weeks... and then there was Summer Camp. We had 18 Scouts and 5 Scouters at Camp Freedom in Heritage Reservation this year, which is a good turnout. We had just enough drivers, and the 4 1/2 hour ride was easy. It was a busy week, as Summer Camp always is. It takes a while to get the schedule down with colors, waiters, meal times, and merit badge classes. Still there was plenty of time for the trading post and downtime playing cards with friends.

Us Scouters had our share of challenges, as well as a lot of laughs! I am so grateful for all of the adult staff that we have in this troop. I am especially grateful to the four very dedicated Scouters who provided such valuable support to me every single day, as well as to the troop in general. To name just a very few example, Mr. Kirsch was on top of all the advancement. Mr. DelSordo was our medic. Mr. Marks helped the waiters at just about every meal, and he convened 6 Boards of Review at the end of the week. Mr. Marks and Mr. Baranowski ran the kitchen for Steak Night on Thursday. The camp provided all troops with steak, potatoes, and veggies to be cooked in foil packs. These guys planned ahead,

and we had stoves and grills with us to do it right. The Dutch oven pineapple upside-down cake Mr. Baranowski made for dessert was awesome.

The camp's First Year Program, Trail to First Class, was great. The Banana Heads earned 3 merit badges each, and completed a slew of rank requirements. Troop Guide Kavish Singh and Outdoor Ethics Guide Jack Coughlin did a tremendous job of filling in the gaps in requirements, including conducting a fitness assessment with mile run, so that they could earn Tenderfoot.

The advancement earned by the troop was fantastic. You'll see the full list below, but the Scouts completed 58 merit badges and 10 partials. Six Scouts ranked up, including 4 of our First Year Scouts earning Tenderfoot. The fifth was only one requirement short, the 2nd fitness assessment to be completed later this month.

At the Staff and Committee Meeting a few weeks ago, SPL Aidan Robin presented the [New Annual Plan](#) to the Committee for approval. It was approved with no changes, and we filled in many of the Trip Coordinators already. However, we are still in need of a Coordinator for the November Trip to Annapolis for a Navy football game. Lots of cool stuff coming up in the next Program Year, but we still have one last smash hit coming up in a couple weeks... School Bus Demolition Derby at Buck Motorsports!

See you there!

Yours in Scouting,  
Mr. Keith Grimes

## ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Meetings	Good Turns	Trips	District/ Council Events	Other
8/7 Troop Meeting 7-8:30 PM Biking Pennypack Trail	8/12 Jack Thompson's Eagle Project 9 AM-3 PM HBC	8/11-8/13 Buck Motorsports		
8/8 TLC 7:30-8:45 PM Mr. Grimes' House	8/13 Jack Thompson's Eagle Project			
8/10 Staff Meeting 7:30-9 PM HBC	1-4 PM HBC			
8/14 Troop Meeting 7-8:30 PM HBC				

8/21 Troop  
Meeting  
7-8:30 PM  
Camp Summer

8/28 Troop  
Meeting  
7-8:30 PM  
Carpenter Park

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Troop Meeting

**Monday, August 7th from 7-8:30 PM** we will be meeting at the [Pennypack Trail Parking Lot on Byberry Rd](#) for a bike ride. Remember to bring your helmet!

### TLC Meeting

**Tuesday, August 8th from 7:30-8:45 PM** the TLC will meet at my house to discuss July and August, and to plan September.

### Troop Staff and Committee Meeting

**Thursday, August 10th from 7:30-9 PM** the Troop Staff and Committee will be meeting in Fellowship Hall to discuss July and August, and to plan September.

### Weekend Trip to Buck Motorsports

For our August Trip we'll be heading out to Susquehannock State Park and Buck Motorsports for a School Bus Demolition Derby!

The cost of the trip is **\$65**, which includes \$20 cash back for dinner at Buck.

Meet for departure **Friday, August 11 at 6 pm** and return on **Sunday, August 13 around 1 pm**.

[Click here for the flyer](#)



If you are interested, please contact with Mr. Marks at 732-684-6688 or [dmmarks1@gmail.com](mailto:dmmarks1@gmail.com)

### Jack Thompson's Eagle Project

**Saturday, August 12th from 9 AM to 3 PM** Jack Thompson is looking for volunteers to help relandscape the flag pole at the Hatboro Baptist Cemetery behind the Church. If you are not camping this weekend, please lend Jack a hand.

Please bring work gloves, and post hole digger, wheelbarrow, etc. if you have them.

Lunch will be provided!

[See Flyer for Details](#)



### Troop Meeting

**Monday, August 14th from 7-8:30 PM** we will be meeting in the HBC parking lot. Bring your bikes for a tune-up ahead of the September trip, as well as bike games. Remember to bring your helmet, too!

### Camp Summer



*Summer Camp is over, but  
Camp Summer is only 3 weeks away!*

We'll be meeting in the [Summer's backyard](#) for swimming, hatchet throwing, and a campfire. Remember 2+ skits/songs per patrol.

**Monday, August 21st from 7-9 PM.**

### Troop Meeting

**Monday, August 28th 7-8:30 PM** the troop meeting will be held at [Carpenter Park](#) for Ultimate Frisbee and Beach Volleyball.

### Biking the Abandoned PA Turnpike

**September 15-17** our monthly trip will be taking us on a bike trip to the Abandon Turnpike Trail in Bedford and Fulton counties.

More details to follow!

If you are interested, please contact Mr. Summer at 267-546-8655 or [garysummer@gmail.com](mailto:garysummer@gmail.com)



### Backpacking the Delaware Water Gap



**October 20-22** our monthly trip will be taking us backpacking the Delaware Water Gap.

More details to follow!

If you are interested, please contact Mr. Grimes at 215-833-9655 or [grimer360@gmail.com](mailto:grimer360@gmail.com)

## 75th Anniversary Celebration

This will be a weekend event **May 17-19, 2024** held on the Day Camp side of College Settlement. The troop will be camping on site, and alumni are welcome to join us. **Saturday, May 18, 2024** we'll have a brunch, afternoon activities, dinner, and a campfire.

Also, please follow the event's Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/HatboroTroop3Year75](https://www.facebook.com/HatboroTroop3Year75)



## NEWS AND NOTES

### 75th Anniversary Logo Contest - LAST CALL!



The logo that we've been using for the 75th Anniversary is a temporary one. We are holding a contest for design of a new logo for the 75th Anniversary events. The winning entry will be used on all merchandise for the Anniversary. The person who submits the winning entry will win free merchandise and a \$50 gift card. The winner will be announced at the Fall Parents' Night in October.

Here are a few basic rules and requirements:

- The logo must include "Hatboro Troop 3" as well as "75 Years", "75th Anniversary", "Diamond Jubilee" or "1949-2024".
- The contest of open to all Scouts, Scouters, Parents, Siblings, and Alumni.

**TODAY IS THE LAST DAY! Click the button below to submit your design**

[Submit Your Logo Design](#)

## Shooting Sports NRA Training



Cradle of Liberty Council has several Shooting Sports Training opportunities this Fall. [Registration is Live now!](#)

We need trained leaders to be able to continue to operate our own shooting sports weekends, like Resica in February. Because this training is critical our operations, **the troop will reimburse the course fees.**

### **Nelson/Hart Range**

**September 9** - Range Safety Officer

**September 10** - Basic Rifle

**September 16** - Basic Shotgun

**September 17** - Basic Pistol

### **Nelson/Delmont Range**

**October 21** - Basic Instructor Training

**October 22** - Instructor pistol

**October 28** - BIT

**October 29** - Shotgun Instructor

### **Hart Armory/ Hart Range**

**November 4** - BIT

**November 5** - Rifle Instructor

Click here for [Shooting Sports NRA Training Registration](#)

Register for the courses online and send the receipt to me with a copies to Brian Dutil (bdutil@verizon.net) and Jim Brown (jimwg40@gmail.com).

[Register Now!](#)

### Looking for Troop 3 Alumni

Troop 3's 75th Anniversary Celebration is only 9 months away!

In order to make the **Diamond Jubilee on May 17-19** a big success, we would like to have as many alumni and family there as possible. To do this, we need to get the word out. Please complete this contact form, and forward it to Scouting friends that you know. The info collected will be used by the Planning Committee to send future correspondence.

Also, please follow the event's Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/HatboroTroop3Year75](http://www.facebook.com/HatboroTroop3Year75)

[Complete Contact Info Form](#)

### New 2023-2024 Annual Plan

The TLC worked very hard to put together a great schedule for our next Program Year, which begins in September. Aidan presented the plan at our last Committee Meeting and it was approved!

Please mark these important dates on your family calendar!

[Click here for the New 2023-2024 Annual Plan!](#)



**Hatboro Troop 3 Annual Plan 2023-2024**  
[www.hatborotroop3.org](http://www.hatborotroop3.org) [www.facebook.com/hatborotroop3](https://www.facebook.com/hatborotroop3)

	Theme	Camping Trip Date (Coordinator)	Troop & Patrol Meetings	Special Events & Good Turns	District & Council Events	Venture Program	TLC	Wash RT	Staff Mtg.
SEP	Biking	Abandoned Turnpike (Biking) 9/15 to 9/17 (Summer)	No Meeting 9/4	Library Bazaar 9/9 Lobster Pot 9/8 & 9/9	ICLS TBD NYLT TBD		5	13	14
OCT	Wheel of Fate	Delaware Water Gap (Backpacking) 10/20 to 10/22 (Grimes/Lavelle)	Parents Night 10/2	Pancake Breakfast 10/14 Yard Sale 10/28	OA Fall Festival at Resica TBD NYLT TBD		3	11	12
NOV	Service	Naval Academy (Football Game) 11/10 to 11/12 (TBD)	Veteran's Memorial Dedication 11/13	Scouting for Food 11/11 Scouting for Food 11/18		Hatboro Holiday Parade 11/19	7	8	9
DEC	Advancement	Trampoline Park TBD (Wills)	Caroling 12/18 No Meeting 12/25	Wreaths Across America (Arlington) 12/16 Wreath's Across Hatboro 12/17 Phantoms Hockey TBD			5	13	14
JAN	STEM	Washington, DC 1/12 to 1/14 (Summer)	OA Election TBD	Pinewood Derby Clinic TBD	OA Lodge Dinner TBD		2	10	11
FEB	Gun Safety	Resica Falls 2/16 to 2/18 (Waltz)		Scout Sunday 2/4 Bear Creek Family Ski Night TBD		Mt Washington 2/24 to 2/27	6	14	8
MAR	World Culture	Sterling Hill Mine 3/15 to 3/17 (Marks)		Ham and Turkey Supper 3/2 Pack 17 Crossover 3/9 Easter 3/31			5	13	14
APR	Pioneering	Spruce Run 4/19 to 4/21 (Waeltz)	Parents Night 4/1	HBC Mulching 4/27	OA Spring Service 1 (Musser) TBD Council Dinner TBD		2	10	11
MAY	History	Diamond Jubilee 5/17 to 5/19 (Waeltz)	Troop Re-org 5/6 No Meeting 5/27	Pancake Breakfast 5/4 Library Book Fair 5/11 Mother's Day 5/12 Whitemarsh Cemetery 5/25	District Dinner TBD OA Spring Service 2 (Resica) TBD		7 14 21	8	9
JUN	Aquatics	Rhinebeck Aerodrome 6/21 to 6/23 (TBD)	Swim Tests TBD	Father's Day 6/16	NYLT TBD	Philmont 6/22 to 7/6	4	12	13
JUL	Cooking	Beaumont Scout Reservation (Summer Camp) 7/16 to 7/22 (Wills)					2	-	11
AUG	Games & Sports	Upper Susquehanna (Canoeing) 8/16-8/18 (Lavelle/Murphy)			NYLT TBD	Upper Susquehanna (Canoeing) 8/16-8/21	5	-	8

Revision A, Last Modified: 26 July 2023 Latest Modifications in red TBD in purple Trip or Event Coordinators are in (Parenthesis)  
 OA Calendar link: <http://www.unam104.org/calendar>  
 Washington District Calendar link: [https://www.cdtsa.org/index.php?itemid=804&option=com\\_jevents&view=month&task=month.calendar](https://www.cdtsa.org/index.php?itemid=804&option=com_jevents&view=month&task=month.calendar)

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## GREAT THINGS OUR SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS ARE DOING

### Rank Advancement



**Life:**



**Star:**

Aidan Robin

Adam Hendrickson



**Tenderfoot:**  
Lucas Hoban  
JJ Humes  
Ethan Low-Beer  
Gabe Reichenbach

### Merit Badges



**Citizenship in the Nation:**

Leo Baranowski  
Brady Brzowski  
Benny DeSordo  
Adam Hendrickson  
Kavish Singh



**Citizenship in the World:**

Aidan Robin  
Aidan Wills



**Cycling:**  
Adam Hendrickson



**Environmental Science:**  
Adam Hendrickson



**Swimming:**  
Benny DeSordo  
Aidan Robin  
Aidan Wills



**Archery:**  
Adam Hendrickson  
Kenny Kirsch  
Aidan Wills



**Basketry:**  
Aidan Robin



**Canoeing:**  
Jack Coughlin



**Engineering:**

Aidan Robin  
Aidan Wills



**Kayaking:**

Leo Baranowski  
Benny DelSordo  
Josh Low-Beer



**Leatherwork:**

Cameron Arbuckle  
Leo Baranowski  
Lucas Hoban  
JJ Humes  
Connor Johnstonbaugh  
Ethan Low-Beer  
Gabe Reichenbach



**Mammal Study:**

Adam Hendrickson  
Lucas Hoban  
JJ Humes  
Connor Johnstonbaugh  
Ethan Low-Beer  
Gabe Reichenbach



**Metalwork:**



**Motorboating:**

Benny DeSordo



**Movie-making:**

Kenny Kirsch

Brady Brzowski  
Jack Coughlin  
Benny DeSordo  
Kenny Kirsch



**Oceanography:**

Josh Low-Beer



**Painting:**

Jack Coughlin



**Photography:**

Brady Brzowski  
Kenny Kirsch



**Rifle Shooting:**

Kavish Singh



**Salesmanship:**

Kavish Singh



**Search and Rescue:**  
Leo Baranowski



**Shotgun Shooting:**  
Brady Brzowski  
Josh Low-Ber



**Signs, Signals, and Codes:**  
Leo Baranowski



**Space Exploration:**  
Lucas Hoban  
JJ Humes  
Connor Johnstonbaugh  
Ethan Low-Ber  
Gabe Reichenbach









On **July 16-22**, we headed out to Heritage Reservation in Farmington, PA for summer camp. We had a great week, at least 80% of the time! Last year at Daniel Boone, we had torrential rain during check-in. At least this year the torrential rain didn't start until we were settled in on the first day. The rain continued on and off for most of the week, but only interfered with the program one day. The Scouts got a ton of advancement accomplished, as you can see above.

**Thank you again,  
Mr. Baranowski, Mr. Delsordo, Mr. Kirsch, and Mr. Marks!**

**Watersports Field Day at College Settlement**



On **Monday, July 24th**, we held our weekly meeting at College Settlement, and cooled off with watersports relays. We've been doing this for a few years now, but this water bucket relay was a new one!

**Thank you for making the arrangements, Mr. Waeltz!**

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



The following Scouts are celebrating birthdays this month!

Leo Baranowski 8/25

Kenny Kirsch 8/30

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