

TROOP 3 NEWSLETTER

HATBORO, PENNSYLVANIA



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DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

December 1, 2025

Salutations Troop 3!

November was a busy month with an early camping trip, and a number of different opportunities for Service. We survived the dreaded November Trip to West Point, and actually had much less rain and much more sun than anticipated. We had very tough times with November weather at West Point in 2018 and again in 2021. The First Annual Spaghetti Dinner was a success. We helped Cub Pack 17 with Scouting for Food, and Kavish completed his Zen Garden at College Settlement.

There are lots of great activities coming up in December. We've got an overnight at Doyletown Rock Gym, Cookie Wars, Movie Night, as well as a Day Trip to Fort Indiantown Gap for Wreaths Across America.

This is certainly a busy time of year, but I urge you to join us for laying wreaths in a couple weeks. The break from the hustle and bustle to slow down and reflect on the service of others is a rewarding experience.

I wish you all a safe and very merry holiday season!

Yours in Scouting,

Mr. Keith Grimes

DECEMBER ACTIVITY CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Troop Meeting 7:30-9 pm Fellowship Hall Class A Rock Gym Registration Due 	2 TLC Meeting 7:30-8:45 pm Mr. Grimes's No Uniform	3	4	5 Doylestown Rock Gym 8 pm Parent Drop Off Class B	6 Doylestown Rock Gym 10 am Parent Pick Up Class B
7	8 Troop Meeting 7:30-9 pm Fellowship Hall Class A Phantoms Hockey Registration Due 	9 Project Blue Light Horsham Comm Ctr 5-8:30 pm Class A+	10	11 Committee Meeting 7:30-9 pm Boardroom No Uniform	12	13 Wreaths Across America Ft. Indiantown Gap Depart HBC 9 am Class A+
14 Wreaths Across Hatboro HBC Parking Lot 12:30-1:30 pm Class A+	15 Movie Night 7-9 pm Fellowship Hall Class B	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 Caroling 7-9 pm Sanctuary Class A+	23	24	25 Christmas	26	27 Phantoms Hockey 7 pm PPL Center Class A
28	29 No Meeting	30	31			
Regular Meeting	Special Meeting	TLC Meeting	Staff Meeting	Trip/Event	Service/VT3, etc.	Holiday

30-Nov-2025

NEWS AND NOTES

Troop Meeting

Monday December 1 from 7:30-9 pm, we have a Troop Meeting in Fellowship Hall. We're have some Arrows visiting and will be working on Communication. Wear your Class A Uniform.

Sign up Deadline for Doylestown Rock Gym

[Register for the Rock Gym on Cheddar Up](#)



TLC Meeting

Tuesday December 2 from 7:30-8:45 pm, the TLC will meet at my house to discuss November and December, and to plan January. No Uniform.

Overnight at Doylestown Rock Gym

DOYLESTOWN
ROCKGYM
ADVENTURE CENTER

On **December 5-6** we're having an overnight at the Doylestown Rock Gym. We'll climb for two hours Friday Night, spend the night, and climb 2 more hours on Saturday morning. Parent Drop-Off at 8 pm Friday December 5 and Parent Pick-up 10 am Saturday December 6.

The Cost is \$50, and includes climbing, snacks and breakfast.

Registration Deadline is December 1.

Please register online below even if you are paying by cash or check. Just select that payment option. This makes the headcount simpler for us. Thank you.

[Register for the Rock Gym on Cheddar Up](#)



Troop Meeting



Cookie Wars!

Monday December 8 from 7:30-9 pm!

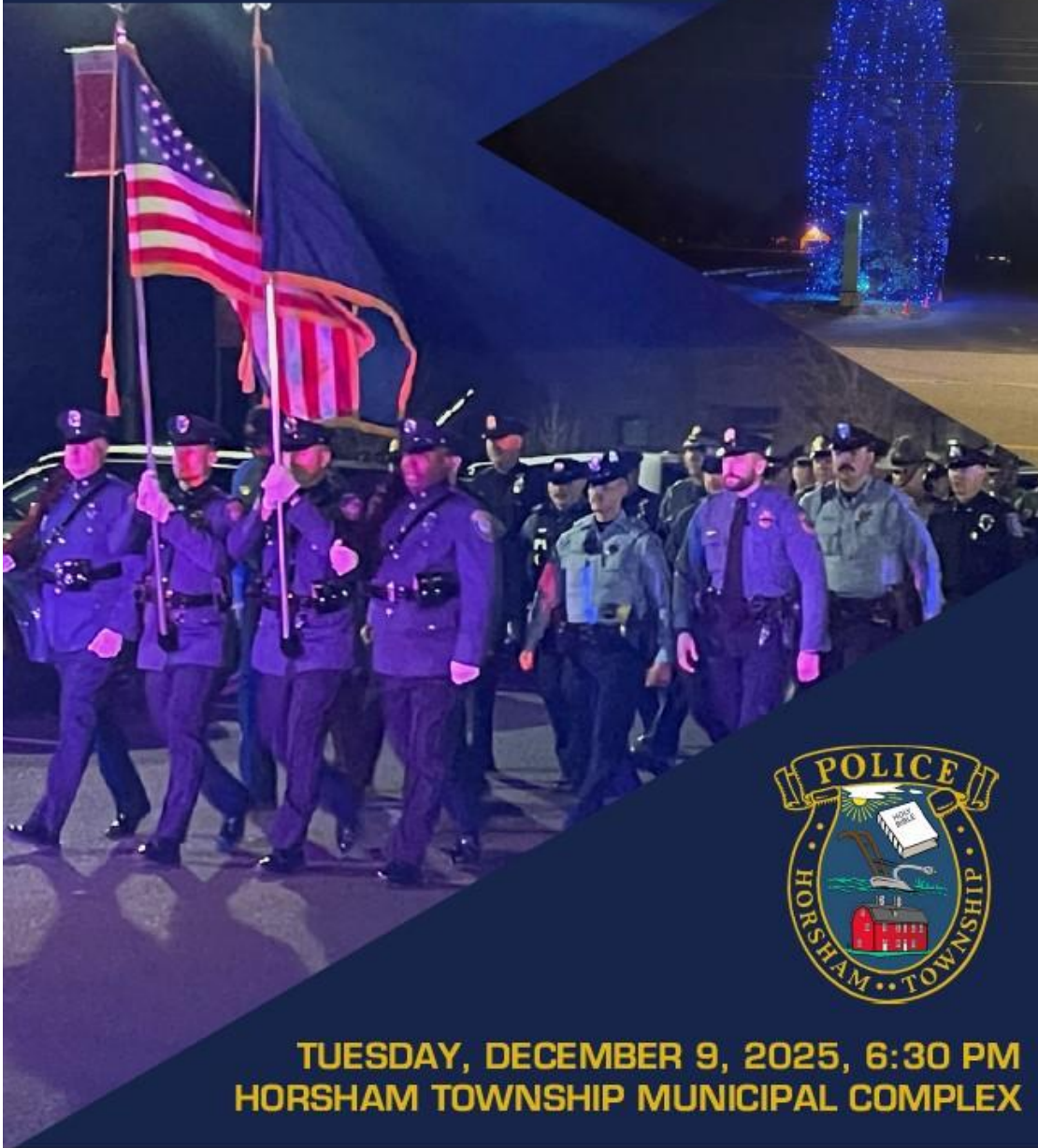
Each patrol will prepare two recipes of cookies.
Patrols must bring their own ingredients, utensils,
etc.

Wear your Class B Uniform.

Project Blue Light

HORSHAM TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

27TH ANNUAL PROJECT BLUE LIGHT CEREMONY



**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2025, 6:30 PM
HORSHAM TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL COMPLEX**

Tuesday December 9 from 5-8:30 pm, VT3 will be recording the ceremony for Project Blue Light at the Horsham Community Center. This is a memorial service for fallen local police officers. Dinner will be provided. Wear your Class A Uniform.

Committee Meeting

Thursday December 11 from 7:30-9 pm, the Troop Committee will be meeting in the Boardroom to discuss November and December, and to plan January. All Leaders and Parents are welcome and encouraged to come participate.

Wreath Across America at Fort Indiantown Gap



Saturday December 13

Ft. Indiantown Gap Nat'l Cemetery

We will depart from HBC at 9 am on Saturday December 13. We will be the cemetery in time for the 12 pm ceremony, then we will help to lay wreaths on the graves.

Wear your Class A Uniform, plus neckerchief.

Wreaths Across Hatboro

Sunday December 14 is Wreaths Across Hatboro. We will lay wreaths at Hatboro Baptist Cemetery from 12:30-1:30 pm.



Wear your Class A Uniform, plus neckerchief!

Movie Night



Monday December 15

7-9 pm

We'll be watching The Christmas Chronicles and enjoying snack and popcorn.

Wear your Class B!

Deadline to Sign Up for Phantoms Hockey

[Sign Up for Phantoms Hockey on Cheddar Up](#)



Caroling

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Monday December 22

7-9 pm



Please bring 2 dozen cookies to share

Wear your Class A, plus Festive Gear!

Phantoms Hockey



Phantoms Hockey Saturday December 27!

Game Time is 7 pm at PPC Center in Allentown

Join us on December 27th for an exciting evening and reserve your spot today. Game starts at 7pm. Let Mr. Dutill know right away if you would like to attend. We also need 5 Scouts for a Color Guard on the ice before the game. Please contact Mr. Dutill if your Scout would like to be a part of the Color Guard. Mr. Brian Dutill, bdutill@verizon.net

Scouts in Color Guard must wear Class A!

[Sign Up for Phantoms Hockey on Cheddar Up](#)



No Troop Meeting

No Troop Meeting Monday December 28

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

COMING SOON

January Trip to Philadelphia



On January 16-18 we'll be camping at Troop 22's Cabin in Cheltenham and heading into to Philadelphia on Saturday.

Family Ski Night at Bear Creek



Friday January 30 is Family Ski Night at Bear Creek.

NEWS AND NOTES

Annual Plan

Please mark your family calendars with these important dates!

Hatboro Troop 3 Annual Plan 2025-2026

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	Theme	Camping Trip Date (Coordinator)	Troop & Patrol Meetings	Special Events & Good Turns	District & Council Events	Venture Program
S	History	Gettysburg 26-28 September (Waeltz)	No Meeting 9/1	Lobster Pot 9/5 & 9/6	Roundtable 9/10	
E			TLC 9/2	Library Bazaar 9/6		
P	Outdoors	World's End (Backpacking) 17-19 October (Lavelle)	Parents Night 10/6	Snack Stand 10/25	Roundtable 10/8 OA Fall Festival at Musser 10/3-10/5	
O			TLC 10/7			
C	Civics	West Point (Football Game) 7-9 November (Summer)	Committee Mtg 10/9	Spaghetti Dinner 11/15	Roundtable 11/12	Crew Meeting TBD Hatboro Parade 11/23
N			TLC 11/4			
O	Communication	Doyelstown Rock Gym (Climbing) 5-6 December (Marks)	Committee Mtg 11/13	Scouting for Food 11/15	Roundtable 12/10	
V			Pot Luck Dinner 11/24	Let's Eagle Ceremony 11/17		
D	World Culture	Philly/Cheltenham 16-18 January (Wills)	Recruiting Night 12/1	Wreaths Across America (Ft Indiantown Gap) 12/13	Roundtable 1/7 OA Lodge Dinner TBD	
E			TLC 12/2	Wreath's Across Hatboro 12/14		
J	Gun Safety	Resica Falls (Shooting) 13-15 February (Walsh)	Committee Mtg 12/11	Phantom's Hockey 12/27	Roundtable 2/11 University of Scouting TBD	Mt. Washington 2/28-3/3
A			Casting 12/22			
R	Geology	Hickory Run 20-22 March (Marks)	TLC 1/6	MLK Day 1/19	Roundtable 3/11	
A			Committee Mtg 1/8	Pinerwood Derby Clinic 1/24		
P	Orienteering	NYC (9/11 Memorial) 17-19 April (Johnstonbaugh)	OA Election TBD	Bear Creek Family Ski Night 1/30	Roundtable 4/8 OA Spring 1 (Musser) TBD District Dinner TBD	
R			TLC 2/3	Scout Sunday 2/8		
M	Physical Fitness	Mullica River (Canoeing) 15-17 May (Lavelle/Murphy)	Committee Mtg 2/12	Pack 17 Crossover 2/28	Roundtable 5/13 OA Spring Service 2 (Resica) TBD	
A			TLC 3/3	Ham and Turkey Supper 3/7		
A	First Aid	WWII Weekend in Reading 5-7 June (Reeves)	Committee Mtg 3/12	Pack 200 Crossover TBD	Roundtable 6/10 NYLT TBD	
U			TLC 4/7	HBC Mulching 3/28		
N	Pioneering	T. Brady Saunders (Summer Camp) 12-18 July (Wife)	Committee Mtg 4/9	Easter 4/5	Roundtable 6/10 NYLT TBD	
J			TLC 4/7			
U	Bike Safety	Alaire State Park (Biking) 21-23 August (TBD)	Committee Mtg 4/27	Library Book Fair 5/9	Roundtable 6/10 NYLT TBD	
L			TLC 5/5, 5/12, 5/19	Mother's Day 5/10		
A	Bike Safety	Alaire State Park (Biking) 21-23 August (TBD)	No Meeting 5/25	Whitemarsh Cemetery 5/23	Roundtable 6/10 NYLT TBD	TBD TBD
G			TLC 6/2	Pancake Breakfast 5/30		
U	Bike Safety	Alaire State Park (Biking) 21-23 August (TBD)	Committee Mtg 6/11	College Settlement June Dinner TBD	Roundtable 6/10 NYLT TBD	
L			TLC 6/2	Flag Day Whitemarsh TBD		
U	Bike Safety	Alaire State Park (Biking) 21-23 August (TBD)	Swim Tests TBD	Father's Day 6/14	Roundtable 6/10 NYLT TBD	
L			TLC 7/7			
A	Bike Safety	Alaire State Park (Biking) 21-23 August (TBD)	Committee Mtg 7/9	Snack Stand 7/25	Roundtable 6/10 NYLT TBD	
G			TLC 8/4			

Revision D, Last Modified: 30 November 2025 Latest Modifications in red TBD in purple Trip or Event Coordinators are in (Parenthesis)
 OA Calendar link: <http://www.unamfodge.org/calendar>
 Washington District Calendar link: https://www.cobpa.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



First Class:

Gabe Reichenbach



Second Class:

Jack Hendrickson

Eagle Required Merit Badges



Sustainability:

Connor Johnstonbaugh

November Trip to West Point



On **November 7-9** we headed up to the scenic Hudson Valley in New York State. We stayed at Camp Bullowa and went to West Point on Saturday for the March On and a football game against Temple.



On Sunday we did a challenging hike up a short section of the AT to Anthony's Nose for Scouts Own. We were rewarded for the tough climb with spectacular views of the Catskills and the Hudson River.

Thank you for making all of the arrangements, Mr. Summer!

Spaghetti Dinner





On November 15, we held our First Annual Spaghetti Dinner, and served about 150 guests.

Thank you Mrs. Wills for managing the tickets!

And a huge thank you to our head chef,

Mr. Waeltz and to our army of volunteers who made it all possible.

Scouting for Food



On November 15 & 22, we helped Cub Pack 17 distribute bags and collect food donations for local food pantries at Lehman Church and St. John's.

Thank You to everyone who came out to lend a hand!

Leo's Eagle Court of Honor





On November 17 we held Leo Baranowski's Eagle Court of Honor.

Congratulations to Leo and the Baranowski Family!

Hatboro Holiday Parade



On November 23, VT3 filmed the Hatboro Holiday Parade.

Mr. John and and VT3 put a ton of work into this event! Great work!

Kavish Completes Eagle Project





Kavish Singh and his team of volunteers built a beautiful Zen Garden at College Settlement. They kicked on the project on November 22 and finished up on November 29.

Terrific job, Kavish!

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