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**Calendar of Upcoming Events**

- April 2. Troop Meeting - Photography with Fred Crouthamel; Advancement.
- April 9. Troop Meeting - Sky Lab with Kathy Rhoads & Joe Manton.
- April 15. Monthly troop swimming activities at the SAHS pool, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please call Bill Brandis if you want any specific swimming requirements to be worked on [215-723-0140].
- April 16. TROOP COMMITTEE MEETING 7:30 p.m. to.....in the library. Board of Review, if needed.
- April 16. Troop Meeting - Family Life Merit Badge with Barbara Johnson, and Law Merit Badge with Timothy Wile. Please Note - If you received a notebook for family life already, please bring it to this scout meeting.
- April 20-22. Weekend at Ockanickon Scout Camp - Saturday morning on the COPE course [see page 2 for details]; afternoon - fishing activities. Cooking merit badge activities also planned with Scott Forwood..
- April 23. Troop Meeting - Family Life and Law merit badges continued.
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**CALENDAR OF FUTURE PLANNED EVENTS**

- May 4—6 Council Jamboree, Green Lane Park.

## BOY SCOUT TROOP 461 NEWSLETTER

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June 1—3 Shooting weekend at Community Rod & Gun Club, Bechtelsville, Berks County, PA. Rifle & Shotgun Shooting Merit Badges will be available.

July 6—16 Summer Scout Cam, Haliburton Scout Reserve, Canada.

July 23—August 8 World Jamboree in England.

### **ADVANCEMENTS & ACHIEVEMENTS**

Eagle District Board of Review - Max Schwyter; Silver Palm to the Eagle Award – Nathan Johnson; Scout - Jordan Hay and Sean van der Kleut; Merit Badges: Plumbing – Adam Gambone, Nick Manton; Shotgun Shooting - Andrew Isban.

### **WEEKEND AT OCKANICKON SCOUT CAMP**

The following Scouts have signed up to participate in the COPE course, Saturday morning: Zachary Brong, Joshua Burke, Spenser Forwood, Ben Gehringer, Michael Hay, Nathan Johnson, Andrew Rhoads, Jonathan Rhoads, Justin Seelaus, and Sam Schwyter. If any other Scouts are now interested, we will have to find out if there still is room available!

Departure is scheduled at 7:30 p.m. from Harold's home. Please plan to arrive between 7:00 and 7:15 p.m. We are booked for the Bischewi Campsite, where there are 5 ads for sleeping. **NOTE** - All participants should plan to take their own eating utensils, *i.e.* - a plate, bowl, cup, and a knife, fork and spoon. For those going to Canada, these items are required. Those wishing to have their items engraved

should bring them to a scout meeting prior to the weekend. Both Scott Forwood and Harold Frederick have engraving tools available.

Return will be Sunday about noon. Fee is \$15.00 and for those in the COPE program there is an additional \$10.00 fee.

## **MAY WEEKEND - COUNCIL JAMBOREE AT GREEN LANE PARK (May 4-6, 2007)**

I attempted to email all the available information including three Jamboree newsletters, but when I checked my incoming emails for this material, I couldn't download the material. So, instead, please go to the council web site, at <[www.colbsa.org](http://www.colbsa.org)>. For this event, go to "Activities", then go to the bottom item entitled "Council Jamboree (May 4-6, 2007)". There you will find a list of the available newsletters - #1, #2, #3, and other data. Please download (print) whatever you wish or read it on-line. Harold.

## **ANNUAL FAMILY NIGHT AND RECOGNITION COURT OF HONOR**

The troop committee has set May 14th as the date, the second Monday. We start out with a covered dish meal, for those who can arrive by 6:30 p.m. All others are encouraged to come about 7:30 p.m. for the Court of Honor program. Help is needed to set up tables about 5.45 p.m.

Meal plan rotates each year, so for 2007 the following plan is:

(Each family is to bring a covered dish,  
enough for their own family plus 10 others)

Last names A - G bring a dessert

Last names H - P bring a salad

Last names R - Z bring an entrée

Families bring their own eating utensils. The Troop supplies beverages, rolls, butter, plates, cups and napkins.

All Scouts and adults should wear their full Scout Uniforms. The Recognition Court of Honor will honor those who have passed advancement, achieved other awards and will conclude with the presentation of the Scoutmaster's Challenge Awards.

## **Summer Camp - Haliburton**

Necessary forms for the Canada trip are being prepared and will be issued when ready.