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Calendar of Upcoming Events

- April 1. OA Workday at Treasure Island Scout Reservation. Departure at 8.00 a.m. from Zion Mennonite Church. Lunch provided.
- April 3. Troop Meeting - Hiking & Fishing activities.
- April 8. LEADERS' MEETING at Camp Rodney, 10.00am.
- April 10. Troop Meeting - Fun with Fishing.
- April 12. Roundtable for adults. Trinity Lutheran Church. Lansdale.
- April 17. TROOP COMMITTEE MEETING - 7.00PM, in Church Library.
- April 17. Troop Meeting - Hiking & Fishing activities.
- April 21-23. Order of the Arrow Spring Weekend I - Camp Hart. Ordeal Candidates - David Pulli and Justin Seelaus.
- April 23. Monthly Swim program, with Bill Brandis 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Souderton Area High School pool. Contact Bill at 215-723-0140.
- PLEASE NOTE - APRIL IS USUALLY THE LAST MONTH FOR SUNDAY OPEN SWIMS - SO ANYONE DESIRING TO COMPLETE SWIMMING REQUIREMENTS SHOULD PLAN TO ATTEND THIS MONTH'S SWIM!**
- April 23. Monthly Patrol Leaders Council, 3.00pm at Chris Kulp's Residence.
- April 24. Troop Meeting - Hiking & Fishing. Board of Review.
- April 28-30. Fishing Weekend at Resica Falls Scout Reservation - Porcupine Ridge Campsite requested - Tent camping (2 Adirondack shelters). Cost \$15.00@. Meet at Scoutmaster's home by 7.00pm. Return Sunday before noon. Bring fishing poles, if owned. Also, plan to work on

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advancement. Patrol cooking planned with dutch oven cooking Saturday supper.

May 21. Eagle Scout Court of Honour, Zion Mennonite Church, 2.00 p.m. – Zachary Wile.

May 22. Family Night – Covered Dish Supper 6.30 p.m.; Program 7.30 p.m. Recognition Court of Honour. Eagle Court of Honour for Nathan Johnson. Families asked to bring covered dish according to schedule on of page 4.

CALENDAR OF FUTURE PLANNED EVENTS

April 28-30 Hiking & Fishing Weekend at Resica Falls Scout Reservation

June 2- 4 Shooting Sports Weekend, Community Rode & Gun Club, Bechtelsville, Berks County, PA

June 23-25 Rock Hall Yacht Club, Maryland.

August 6-12 Summer Scout Camp -Rodney Scout Camp, DelMarVa Council, Maryland.

August 26 Parking for Chicken BBQ at Souderton Mennonite Homes.

ADVANCEMENT COMPLETED – CONGRATULATIONS

Scout - Darian Serfass and Nick Manton. **Merit Badges:** Troy Radcliff - Communications, Max Schwyter - Personal Fitness; Eagle District Board of Review - Nathan Johnson; **Totin' Chip Award** - Darian Serfass, Nick Manton, and Tyler Wood.

A number of requirements were completed on our weekend at Ockanickon.

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2006 SUMMER CAMP AT RODNEY

Notices have been mailed to all families/adults who have signed up for summer camp, which included the balance of fees due for this camp and the medical exams forms required:

1. All balances of payments are due by April 17, in order to assure that the individual will qualify for the discounted fee of \$250.00. Anyone having a problem with this deadline date, please notify Harold Frederick, prior to that date.

2a. Medical forms - For those persons requiring a new exam prior to attending camp, a blank form has been mailed, with a cover letter.

2b. For those who have a valid medical exam on file (exam done within the last 3 years prior to August 12th), a copy of existing exam has been included with a cover letter. The parent or adult should write any updated changes on this form, then sign and date the form, and return this form to Harold as soon as possible.

Additional participants can still sign up - just contact Harold!!!

GENERAL NASH DISTRICT ADULT RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Troop 461 was recognized for several achievements at the annual General Nash Adult Recognition Dinner held on March 18, 2006:

One of the troops to receive the 100% Trained Award.

Spark Plug Award - Barbara Johnson.

A number of door prizes were won by our troop

SPAGHETTI DINNER RESULTS

A SPECIAL THANKS to everyone who helped to make this annual event a success, including the publicity done, those who sold tickets, worked in the kitchen, helped to set up, serve, take down. To everyone, MANY THANKS! The troop committee decided to distribute the profits of \$700+ as follows - \$1.00 for each ticket sold, with the balance divided among the scouts who helped at the dinner per hour

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participated, be it set up, serving time or clean up hours. These funds were included in the Rodney summer camp fees schedule, mailed earlier this month.

FAMILY NIGHT COVERED DISH SUPPER – MAY 22, 2006

Head count for Family Night meal - Call Harold 215-723-2555. [Leave a message on his answering machine.]

- * A * Meal plan is for families to bring a covered dish,
- * L * enough for your family plus 10 others:
- * E * Last names A - F bring an salad
- * R * Last names G - P bring a entree
- * T * Last names R - Z bring a dessert
- * ! * Families bring eating utensils; troop will provide beverages, plates, cups, and napkins.