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NEWSLETTER

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Calendar of Upcoming Events

- January 1. No Troop Meeting - New Year's Day - Happy New Year!
- January 8. Troop Meeting - Patrol reorganization & Patrol Leader elections. Deadline to sign up for Junior Leaders' training weekend.
- January 12-14. Junior Leaders' Training weekend at Community Rod & Gun Club Cabin, Bechtelsville, PA. No fee. Sleeping indoors, on floor of cabin, come prepared. All elected and appointed positions are eligible to attend. Departure at 7.30pm from Scoutmaster Frederick's home. George Senderling is in charge of training, assisted by Andrew Cowles, Timothy Wile and Harold Frederick. Scott Forwood is in charge of menu planning and cooking.
- January 15. Troop Committee Meeting - 7.45pm, in church library.
- January 15. Troop Meeting - Cooking Merit Badge by Scott Forwood. Distribution of order forms for the Super Bowl Stromboli/Hoagie Sale. Monthly Board of Review.
- January 22. Troop Meeting - Cooking Merit Badge by Scott Forwood.
- January 29. Troop Meeting - Patrol Competition. Deadline for orders for Super Bowl Stromboli & Hoagies. All order forms and payments are due in tonight.
- February 3. Pick up of Stromboli & hoagie orders in troop meeting room, from 1.00 pm to 2.00 pm. **Please be prompt!**

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CALENDAR OF FUTURE PLANNED EVENTS

- February 3. Annual Super Bowl Stromboli & Hoagie Sale
- February ? Service Project at Ockanickon - building bunks in Ads.
- March 2—4 Snow Sports at Big Boulder & Cabin camp at Resica Falls.
- March 10 Annual Spaghetti Dinner.
- April 20—22 Ockanickon weekend with COPE activities possible.
- May 4—6 Council Jamboree, Green Lane Park.
- 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

Fire Safety merit badge - Peter Detwiler, Spenser Forwood, Adam Gambone, Ben Gehringer, Nathan Johnson, Troy Radcliff, Andrew Rhoads, Johnathan Rhoads, Justin Seelaus, Andrew van der Kleut. **Plumbing merit badge** - Zachary Brong, Ben Gehringer, Andrew Isban, Nathan Johnson, Nathan Lanan, Justin Seelaus, Andrew van der Kleut. **Tenderfoot** - Spenser Forwood. **Second Class** - Zachary Brong.

Please **NOTE** - Those scouts who have not completed **Fire Safety** merit badge, probably only need to complete an evacuation plan for their house, and designate where everyone meets after leaving the

house. If only one floor is lived in, then only one floor need be included. If two or more floors are lived in, then the plan must include all floors.

Please **NOTE** - Those scouts who attended the weekend at Camp Men-O-Lan, who have not completed **Plumbing** merit badge, probably need only to complete the survey sheet handed out by Ernest Gambone, and turn it in at a troop meeting.

WHY NOT TAKE THE EXTRA TIME TO COMPLETE THESE BADGES!!!!

GOING TO CANADA THIS SUMMER?

If you plan to secure a US PASSPORT, here are some helpful ideas. Applications are available at the local post office. Passport photos can be purchased at most CVS stores [including the one in Souderton]. The Patrol Leaders' Council approved the dates for this summer camp trip to be departure on Friday, July 6th, [very early], and return on the afternoon of Monday, July 16th, via a stop at Niagara Falls, NY. Basically the same schedule as in 2004, with only one night at Peterborough, Ontario.

If going without a US PASSPORT, each person still needs an original birth certificate [with raised seal], and a photo ID if 16 or older, to return to the USA! Most of our Scouts and a number of adults have said they are going, but only two persons have paid deposits to date. **EVERYONE, SCOUTS AND ADULTS ALIKE, ARE ASKED FOR THEIR \$50.00 DEPOSIT, OR WE MAY HAVE TO CANCEL THIS TRIP!!!!**

Make checks payable to **BOY SCOUT TROOP 461**, and give or mail to Harold.