



Boy Scout Troop 461
Zion Mennonite Church
Souderton, Pennsylvania

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NEWSLETTER

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 2-4 Weekend at Ockanickon Scout Reservation - Cooking theme. Camp site adjacent to the camp office. Departure from Church barn at 1900 (7.00 p.m.). Please meet by 1845 (6.45 p.m.). SM Tim Wile is the Leader-in-charge, assisted by ASM Scott Forwood and ASM Ernie Gambone. Return will be Sunday about noon. Fee \$20.00 per person.
- November 5 Troop meeting: Dues/Registration Fees for 2008 due tonight, please. Notices were mailed out the end of September, 2007.
- November 10 Distribution of the bags for Scouting for Food project. Youth and adults should meet in the Weight Watcher's Room [next to the Youth Dept in hallway] about 1000 (10:00 a.m.). Scouts should wear their uniforms. Drivers are needed to transport the youth to assigned areas. If you can't come until later, please come as we will still be doing the project, probably until early afternoon. We have the same section of Souderton as we had last year.
- November 10 Popcorn Orders - Pickup - Weight Watchers area from 1100 through 1300 (11.00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m.).
- November 12 Troop meeting.

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- November 17 Pick up food bags, sort and count food items, and deliver to Indian Valley Opportunity Centre (IVOC). Meet at Youth Department by 10.00am or as soon as you are free. Drivers needed.
- November 19 Troop Committee meeting at 1930 (7.30 p.m.) in the Library, Zion Mennonite Church.
- November 19 Troop meeting, Board of Review, as needed. Scout Uniforms required for Board of Review.
- November 26 Troop Meeting.
- December 8 District "Life to Eagle Seminar" – 0900 (9.00 a.m.) sharp, at the Upper Gwynedd Community Centre. Phone Rob Nagele [215-699-4779] for more info or to confirm attendance.

CALENDAR OF FUTURE PLANNED EVENTS

- November 2—4, 2007 Monthly camping trip at Ockanickon Scout Reservation, Bucks County Council.
- December 7—9, 2007 Winter camp at Camp Men-O-Lan, Finland, Bucks County.
- January 11-13, 2008 Junior Leaders' training & fellowship weekend – Community Rod & Gun Club, Bechtelsville, Berks County.
- February 22-24, 2008 Winter Snow Sports Weekend at Resica Falls Scout Reservation, Marshall's Creek. Snow sports at Big Boulder.

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March 28-30, 2008 Hiking weekend on the Appalachian Trail.. Base camp at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation, Hawk Mountain Council, Berks County.

April 17-19, 2008 Weekend camping trip at Ockanickon Scout Reservation, Bucks County Council. COPE course available as well as cooking and advancement.

April 15, 2008 Deadline for payment for Boot & Paddle Programme at Resica Falls for summer camp in order to get the discount rate.

May 15-18, 2008. Shooting Sports Weekend at the Community Rod & Gun Club, Bechtelsville, Berks County, Pennsylvania. Rifle & Shotgun Shooting merit badges will be available for a limited number of applicants.

June 6-8, 2008. Canoeing weekend – exact location to be announced at a later date.

July 6-12, 2008 Annual troop summer camp at Resica Falls Scout Reservation, Marshall's Creek, Pennsylvania. This is the troop's first summer camp at a Cradle of Liberty Council camp since the troop's 1997 trip to Resica Falls.

August 23, 2008 Service project – parking at the Souderton Mennonite Community Bar-B-Que. This is an easy way to accumulate service hours for advancement!

Advancement and Achievements

Tenderfoot – Sean van der Kleut

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POPCORN SALE

Gross Sales have exceeded \$2,800.00 this year. Pickup date is Saturday, November 10th, in the room used by the Weight Watchers on Monday nights. Enter the church at the double doors below the Youth Dept [area used for our Halloween Party], turn left up stairs, turn right down the hallway, and enter the first room on the left side of the hallway.

SUMMER SCOUT CAMP RESERVATIONS

Our troop now has a reservation for summer scout camp at the Resica Falls Scout Reservation for the week of July 6—12, 2008. Our reservation covers the regular in-camp [eating in the dining hall] programme.

Also available is the Boot & Paddle programme, which includes hiking 15 miles and then canoeing down the Delaware River to the Treasure Island Scout Camp [Age of 14 is required].

Those Scouts interested in either programme should make their \$50.00 non-refundable deposit as soon as possible to: Boy Scout Troop 461, and given to or mailed to Harold Frederick, Jr. Troop Treasurer.

A deposit of \$50.00 will hold a place for each Scout and a deposit of \$25.00 will hold a place for each adult. Please note that the **FULL FEE** is \$300.00 per Scout, with a discount of \$25.00 per Scout if the full fee is paid to the troop by April 15th.