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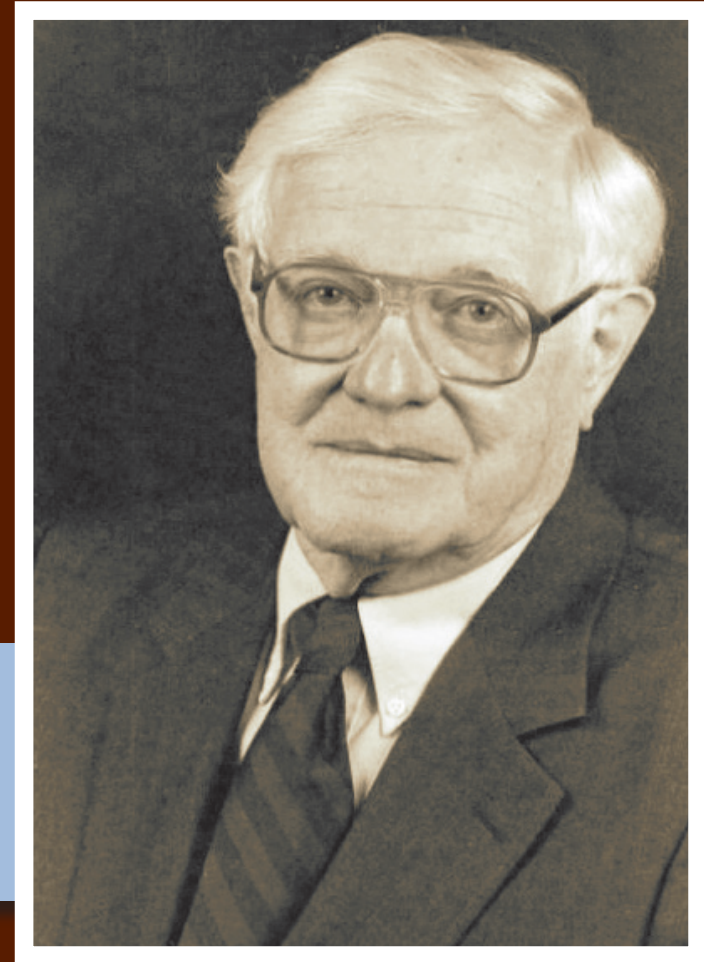
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Message from the President

The Pine Tree Council is fortunate to have so many dedicated volunteers helping deliver the Scouting program to the youth in our communities. Mothers, fathers, and grandparents from all around the Council give their time, money, and resources to help teach young men and women how to become responsible and caring citizens. Without this kind of dedication and generosity, the Scouting program would not be what it is today.

One of our great scouting friends and supporters, William U. Niss, has recently passed on. Bill left behind him a legacy of service that is a true inspiration to all of us. Just in the past couple of years the Pine Tree Council has lost some close friends and long-time volunteers. Just like Bill, their commitment to the scouting program literally impacted hundreds of youth and adults.

As I was thinking about the way in which these few individuals impacted so many people, it made me realize just how many

lives are being impacted, in a positive way, by the over 5,000 adult volunteers in the Pine Tree Council. Your volunteer commitment, along with all of the other volunteers in the Pine Tree Council, is impacting literally thousands of youth and families, both directly and indirectly. This is an amazing statistic and it goes to show how important the scouting program is in our communities.

I would like to thank all of you for your continued service. I would ask that you continue to make scouting, and more importantly, the youth in your communities a priority. Make a concerted effort to promote scouting in your community. To continue to prosper, scouting needs more people like you!

Sincerely,

Paul Spellman
President, Pine Tree Council

Message from the Council Commissioner

First, I want to thank all of the commissioners that participated in the recent University of Scouting. Whether serving on staff, faculty or attending as a participant, your presence was well noted and appreciated. This was a great event to enable all of us to sharpen many different Scouting skills. These are the same skills that help us to help the units that we serve on a daily basis.

Sooner than we realize it, summer will be here; and with summer comes one of the greatest of scouting adventures.....Summer Camp. Whether it is Boy Scout Camp, Webelos Camp, Cub Scout Day Camp, or Fun Pack Weekend, these are the days (and nights) that our scouts will remember for a lifetime. As commissioners, we should be visiting the units that we serve and encouraging them to participate in the Pine Tree Council Summer Camp experience. Pine Tree Council offers some of the best and most reasonably priced summer camping experiences that can be found anywhere. Remember, commissioners, that while our units are in camp is possibly the best opportunity for us to visit with them. What better time to visit with the leaders and also be able to talk to the scouts themselves.

Remember the time is coming (or already

here) to be conducting our unit inventories. At times this process may seem a little redundant or even unnecessary, but I assure you that it is one of the commissioners' more important functions. Making sure that every scout is properly accounted for and registered can make a very big difference when it comes to qualifying for Quality District, and more importantly, it can make a big difference to the scout himself when he is completing his Eagle application only to find out that he was not registered for the first year of his scouting career and, therefore, all the advancement he earned during that time is not valid, or he cannot attend summer camp because he is not registered. Let's be sure that every scout in Pine Tree Council is registered and accounted for.

Lastly, I want to thank each and every commissioner (DC, ADC, UC, RTC) for her/his hard work over the past scouting year. It's your dedication that helps our units provide the best possible programs for the youth of Pine Tree Council.

Yours in Scouting,

Bill Coffin
Pine Tree Council Commissioner

Exploring/LFL District News (continued)

PARTNERS FOR EDUCATION AUCTION AND BENEFIT

Learning for Life is looking forward to another successful and fun Auction and Benefit to support the Learning for Life/Exploring Division. This year's auction will be held at the Pavilion in Portland's Old Port. The auction will be held the evening of Wednesday, May 17, 2006. We hope that you mark this date on your calendar. If you would be interested in attending and/or donating an item to this auction, please contact Michael Dyer at 797-5770 or email him at midyer@lflmail.org.

LEARNING FOR LIFE SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS

Learning for Life is creating a speaker bureau. We are looking for professionals that would be willing to visit a school once or twice during a school year to share their career specialty with students. If you are a builder, nurse, teacher, architect, attorney, photographer, dancer, etc. and could offer support to this program it would be greatly appreciated. This program supports the State of Maine Learning Results, No Child Left Behind, School-to-Careers and Character Education initiatives in the State of Maine. Please call 797-5770 or email midyer@lflmail.org so that we can add your profession to our speaker bureau list. Thank you for your volunteering!

Race To Scouting

September 19th and 21st are this year's Race To Scouting registration dates. New youth and adult applications need to be turned in to the appropriate district location on September 21st. District training will be held to help your unit have a successful Race To Scouting Recruitment Night sign-up. Information can and should be sent to your local newspaper, radio station, and television station for promotion of your recruitment night.

This year, the Race To Scouting Honorary Chair will be Bill Ryan, owner of Oxford Plains Speedway. Bill was a natural fit with our theme and he is working on incentives for new boys to register with local packs and troops.

Our Sponsor for this year's event is NAPA Auto Parts.

Look over the Race To Scouting training materials that you will receive at your district training to make sure that you have a great night set up for the parents and the boys. Have as many registered leaders on hand as possible to answer questions and to help register new youth and adults in the program. Here are some reminders that will help you have a successful recruitment night:

1. Contact the Pine Tree Council by August 20th with your Race To Scouting recruitment location and date of either September 19th or 21st. Please start your recruitment night at 6:30 PM to help with Council-wide publicity information.
2. Work with other Packs and Troops in the same community so everyone recruits new kids and adults.
3. Talk to your local school about an in-class promotion with the boys, a few days before the sign-up night, to build their enthusiasm.
4. Make sure that your local religious affiliation is aware of the nights because many will include this information in their worship service bulletins.
5. Talk with local businesses about placing information on their marquees promoting Race To Scouting.
6. Place posters in stores and high traffic areas.
7. Some grocery stores will place a flyer in shopping bags.
8. Cable access stations will sometimes promote sign-up night.
9. Local phone companies will put info on their monthly bills.
10. Encourage your registered Cub Scouts to wear their uniform to school on the day of your Race To Scouting event.



11. Invite a local Boy Scout Troop to help keep the kids entertained while you talk with the parents.
12. Have your treasurer attend your recruitment night Sign-up so that one check with the correct pro-rated fees can be written to the Pine Tree Council to avoid losing any money.
13. Make a great first impression by being organized.
14. Have a calendar of events for the new scout and their family so they are prepared for the upcoming activities.
15. All applications and appropriate pro-rated fees should be taken to the drop-off location on Thursday, September 21st unless other arrangements have been made with the District Executive.
16. Have fun and show new families the excitement of Scouting.
17. Before your new families leave the registration night, make sure they know the time, date, and location of your next scheduled den or pack meeting.
18. Families should have phone numbers of key unit leadership.
19. The Pine Tree Council will also be doing some direct mail promotions to families in your area with the registration night information.

Race To Scouting application drop-off locations will be given to you at your district Race To Scouting orientation. Please make sure that your applications have all the proper signatures and pro-rated fees before delivering them to the proper collection site on September 21st.

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York District Web Address: www.yorkdistrict.org

York District News

UNIT INVENTORY

Crew, Pack and Troop Leaders please mark Wednesday, May 10, 2006 for the York District Spring Unit Inventory night. Each unit will be contacted to verify the youth that are in your program. This is vital to make sure each youth is accounted for in York District. For more information, please contact our District Commissioner, Ernie Wiswell at 439-2668.

YORK DISTRICT SPRING CAMPOREE

The time is fast approaching for the York District Spring Camporee. Mark May 19-21, 2006 as the dates for this spring time ritual. The camporee is going to be located at the Lord Ott Farm in North Waterboro and is being sponsored by Troop 345. The theme for the weekend is "Scottish Highland Games", so dust off your kilt and bring your best recipe for haggis and join us. For more information, please contact Jim McCadden at 490-2540.

YORK DISTRICT PATHFINDER'S SHOWANDO

Mark June 2-4, 2006 as the dates for the First Annual York District Pathfinder's Showando at Camp Nutter. It is limited to 60 scouters who are interested in learning or increasing their knowledge of our scouting program. ALL leaders (CS, BS and Venturing) can attend. Even if you think you know everything about scouting (quite impossible task), come anyway to share your knowledge and have fun with other scouters. Take advantage of it. For more information, contact Clinton Staples at 636-1597 or Clinton@gwi.net.

YORK DISTRICT CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP 2006

Mark July 10-14, and July 17-21, 2006 on your calendars as the dates for the York District Cub Scout Day Camp at Camp Nutter in Acton, ME. The theme for 2006 is "Amazing Race Around the World." In 2005, 190 Cub Scouts and more than 75 volunteer leaders participated in the York District Day Camp Program. Where else can Scouts do crafts, cook, earn BB & Archery recognition, learn about nature and swim in a

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Exploring/LFL District News

2006 MAINE LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPLORER ACADEMY

The 2006 Maine Law Enforcement Explorer Academy date has been set. The Academy will run for a week at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in Vassalboro. The academy dates are 26 through 30 June. While this is primarily an Explorer event, all young men and women between the ages of 14 and 20 are encouraged to apply to attend this academy. We realize that many Scouts are interested in military service, law enforcement and public safety

safe environment with 100 other Scouts?

For more information on how to volunteer at day camp and get a reduced rate for your Cub Scout, please contact our Day Camp Director Diana Vermette at 324-2582 or 4vermette@msn.com or Frank Gilcreast at 797-5252 ext. 24 or fgilcrea@bsamail.org

POPCORN TIME AGAIN

Calling all unit Popcorn Kernels. Mark Sunday, August 27, 2006 at Camp Nutter as the date for York District's Popcorn Kick-Off. A Family Barbecue has been planned and activities will include games and a few surprises. This is a Free Event. Please register before Wednesday, August 23, 2006 so supplies can be purchased. If your unit has not sold popcorn in the past, please consider it as your major fundraiser for your unit. Some of our packs use the popcorn sale as their ONLY fundraising event for the year. The popcorn is an easy product to sell and has repeat customers from year to year. The Show-N-Sell Popcorn Program is a great way to get started selling popcorn or add to your Take Order Popcorn Sales. Some units do both programs and have great success with them. For more information about the Trails End Popcorn program, check out their website at www.trails-end.com. Please contact Frank Gilcreast at 797-5252 ext. 24 for more information.

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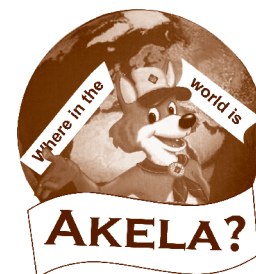
THANK YOU to all the York District Packs, Troops and Scouting Families that participated in the Friends of Scouting (FOS) campaign this year. For the third year in a row, the York District exceeded its Family FOS goal. Through the generosity of the Scouting families in York District, we raised over \$30,000 and the money will go a long way to ensure that the quality programs in York District and the Pine Tree Council will continue for present and future scouts. Thank you also to the volunteers who gave their time and talent in giving presentations to the units in York District.

— we encourage any Scout that is seriously considering a career in any of these areas to apply for admittance to the Academy.

Courses at last year's academy included: Police and the Public, Search & Seizure, Criminal Law, Traffic Direction & Control, Motor Vehicle Law, Admissions and Confessions, Courtroom Procedure, Laws of Arrest, Details, Drill & Ceremony, Crash Scene Investigation and much, much more.

The point of contact for applications is Michael Dyer. He can be reached by calling 797-5770 or through email at midyer@lflmail.org.

Cub Scouts ~ Join us at Summer Camp and find out "Where in the World is Akela?"



Come to summer camp and join us for the "Amazing Race around the World" as we explore continents, learn new customs and crafts, all while making great new friends!

Join us for a Funpack Weekend, an overnight camping experience, for parents to enjoy the outdoors with their Cub!

2006 Funpack Dates At Camp Hinds

July 8 & 9	July 29 & 30
July 15 & 16	Aug 5 & 6
July 22 & 23	Aug 12 & 13

FunPack Weekend fee is \$20 per person.

Webelos Resident Camp will be offered at Camp Hinds in Raymond!

2006 Webelos Schedule 4 Day Resident Camp

Session 1	Aug. 13 – 16
Session 2	Aug. 16 – 19

Webelos Camp Fee \$150.00

Cub Camping Information and Registration forms have been mailed to all Cub Scouts and are available on the PTC web site at www.pinetreebsa.org



Day Camps run 9:00 to 4:30 and give your son a chance to see the Cub Scout program come alive during the summer at many locations throughout the council.

2006 Cub Day Camp Dates

Abnaki District:
Camp Gustin: Aug 7 - 11

Casco Bay District:
MacWorth Island: July 24 - 28
Camp Hinds: July 31 - Aug. 4

Downeast District:
Union Fair: July 10-14
Topsham Fair: July 17 - 21

Kennebec Valley District:
Camp KV: July 31 - Aug 4

York District:
Camp Nutter: July 10 - 14
Camp Nutter: July 17 - 21

Early bird discounts are available for camp programs. Information on registration forms!

Day Camp Fees \$90 per week

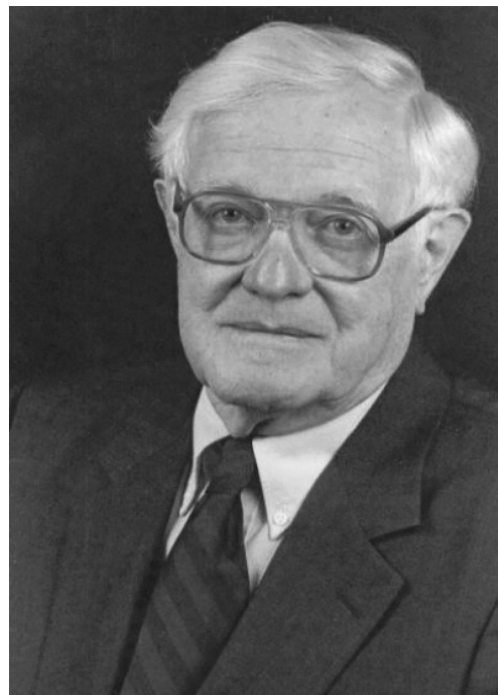
WEBELOS CAMP 2006 - The Amazing Race Around the World

Greetings and Salutations Ambassadors (Webelos) as you begin this extraordinary trip around the world. There are many skills that are necessary for an ambassador as he represents his country. You will learn skills in the farthest corners of the earth that will help you to achieve the Diplomat status as an ambassador and will become world renown as a member of the world ambassadors.

At Webelos camp, you will visit each of the areas in the four corners of the world and face many challenges. Areas being visited include the Caribbean shores, deepest, darkest Africa, the Old Worlds of the Far East and Europe, and the American West Frontier!

Make sure you are signed up for Webelos Resident camp at Camp Hinds!

Tribute to William U. Niss



The Pine Tree Council recently lost a great friend and long-time supporter. On March 30, 2006, William U. Niss, 90, of Scarborough, passed away.

Bill served in the Pine Tree Council for 60 years, starting as a volunteer leader in the Sea Scouting program.

He was President of the council's executive board from 1957 to 1959, and was instrumental in developing the council's headquarters on Auburn Street in Portland.

In 1959, he received the Silver Beaver Award. For several years, he was Assistant Treasurer of the council.

In 1981, the council honored Mr. Niss by naming its headquarters after him. In his later years, he did a lot of work for the council's endowment fund.

When the Pine Tree Council built new headquarters near the Maine Mall last year, Mr. Niss was honored with a museum that bears his name.

Sarah Hall Niss of Blue Hill reflected on her father's love for scouting and what it meant for him to have the museum named after him. "He was very humbled," she said. "He felt very honored."

Bill provided a lasting legacy of service to the Pine Tree Council. His vision and leadership paved a path that many have trod. He will surely be missed, but never forgotten.

The New Internet Advancement

Online advancement entry is coming! The Pine Tree Council is excited to announce that units will be able to use Internet Advancement to record their youth member advancements from any online location—at home or at the office. You will find this new method to be easy, convenient, and accurate because you enter the information.

Here's how it works:

The Pine Tree Council will have an Internet Advancement page on our Web site (www.pinetreebsa.org) with instructions and a link to this new functionality.

Internet Advancement makes it easy for unit leadership to record awards, ranks, and merit badges to youth via an online process. This system is separate from Internet Rechartering, but uses a similar concept.

At any time during the year, the unit advancement processor from each active unit will be able to record advancements to youth member records. And, they'll also be able to print a unit roster at any time. The roster is the most current information from ScoutNET, and it will include the person ID for each adult and youth member.

These are other reports that will be available from Internet Advancement.

- **Unit Advancement Summary** shows ranks, merit badges, and awards saved in each person record for current members of the unit.

- **Advancement Report** lists each youth member that has new ranks, merit badges, and awards, if any. This is the official unit Advancement Report to be signed and submitted to the office.
- **Unit Awards Summary** lists the number of new ranks, merit badges, and awards by name as a shopping list.
- **Advancement Update Summary** lists any ranks, merit badges, and awards that were already in the member record and were updated online.

The council will provide each unit with a unit ID, and the unit will assign an adult to record advancements. Ranks must be recorded based on program identification and in the correct rank and date sequence. Only the Eagle Scout rank cannot be awarded by this process. Awards to be entered will not include nominated awards, such as those for meritorious action, and awards that are controlled by other organizations, even if approved for uniform wear. As BSA policies for rank entry are enforced, what units enter will meet these requirements.

There will be a link to the Internet Advancement help on the Pine Tree Council Web site, and there will also be a Frequently Asked Questions link on the Internet Advancement site and these should be reviewed. Watch for this site coming soon to the council website.

If you have any questions or comments, contact the Pine Tree Council office and we'll be glad to help you out.

Come to the roundtables for an orientation to learn more about Internet Advancement.

Downeast District News (continued)

the best in the Pine Tee Council contact Steve Saucier at ssaucier@bsamail.org or 797-5252 ext. 28.

PROGRAM LAUNCH

The date to pick up your program launch kits will be June 14 at District Roundtable. This one of the most important Roundtables of the year, the kits include council calendars, race to scouting information, popcorn information and fall camporee information and everything that you need to know for the upcoming year in Scouting. Make sure to have at least one representative from your unit attend this event.

DAY CAMP VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for people who want to help out with Cub Scout Day Camps this year. The Union Day Camp will be

July 10-14, and the Topsham Day Camp will be July 17-21. Anyone who volunteers for the week at a day camp can have one son attend for \$10. For more information contact Steve Saucier at 797-5252 ext. 28 or ssaucier@bsamail.org.

FUNPACK WEEKEND VOLUNTEERS

The Downeast District will be coordinating the FunPack Weekend on August 5 & 6 at Camp Hinds in Raymond. If anyone is interested in volunteering please contact Steve Saucier at 797-5252 ext. 28 or ssaucier@bsamail.org.

POPCORN KICK OFF

The popcorn kickoff will be August 17; there will be more information at Roundtable and in the Beacon.

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K-Valley District News

WELCOME NEW DISTRICT ADVANCEMENT CHAIR

The Kennebec Valley District would like to announce Luanne Chesley as our new District Advancement Chair. Luanne has been a member of the Advancement Committee for many years, as well as being our District Popcorn Kernel. We welcome Luanne into her new position of service. Luanne's contact information can be found on the District Website (www.KV-Scouts.org).

ROUNDTABLE

District Roundtables will continue to be held at the Mountain Top View church in Oakland, from 7 to 9 pm on the Second Wednesday of each month – except July and August. Roundtables in the Strong area will be held at the Strong School on the third Tuesday of every other month (January, March, May, September, and November) from 7 to 8 pm. For more information, please contact Matthew Randall or visit the District Website.

DAY CAMP

John Berryman and Sheila Adkins will be running our Day Camp at Camp KV for Kids this summer. Please refer to the camping section of this publication for further information. Should you be interested in being a staff member, please contact John Berryman at 948-3484.

DISTRICT E-NEWSLETTER

Our district participates in an e-newsletter system in order to get information out in a timely manner. If you wish to be a part of this system, please contact Scott Bernier at Moxieman@gwi.net.

PROGRAM LAUNCH & POPCORN KICKOFF

The District will be holding its annual Program Launch and Popcorn Sale Kick-Off on August 9th from 5 to 8 pm. Food will be provided. Please arrive with your school night recruiting date and FOS presentation date for our records in 2007. Location will be announced at the May Roundtable and posted on our website. If you can only make one meeting a year — this is the one to make. The popcorn sale, upcoming events, calendar, program information, answers to questions, and much more will all be touched upon.

CONGRATULATIONS

The Kennebec Valley District would like to congratulate Scott Adams of Troop 479 and James Nirza of Troop 647 for being the first volunteers to receive the William D. Boyce New Unit Organizer Award for the district and the Pine Tree Council. Thanks to their efforts, two towns now have new scout units and engaged youth.

WELCOME

The Kennebec Valley District would like to welcome Amy Cates, Melanie Pellerin, Jo Anne Brown, Stacey Turner, Heidi Tolman, Rick Merrill, Earl Stevens, Stacy Blier, Donnie Brown, Mary Jane Vachon, James Nirza, Laird Stinson, Jeff Howatt, Scott Davidson, Mark Mitchell, and Jeff Jones as Cubmasters or Scoutmasters for the 2006 – 2007 year. Thank you for your time and efforts on behalf of the youth you serve. You are appreciated!

Casco Bay District News (continued)

going to have the time of their lives. As always, the district needs volunteers to come and lend a hand at camp for the week and help us run our programs. Anyone who is willing to volunteer for the week at camp may register his or her son for the bargain price of \$10. Don't miss out on the experience of traveling the world in search of Akela this summer! Any questions should be directed to the following:

MacWorth Island (Falmouth) - Missy Bell - 839-8421
 Camp Hinds (Raymond) - Kathleen Durost - 892-7516
 Pine Tree Council - Jonathan Widmark - 797-5252 ext. 23

POPCORN KICKOFF

It's that time of year again! The annual district popcorn kickoff is scheduled for Saturday, August 12th at Beechridge Motor Speedway in Scarborough. This event is for the individual unit kernels to learn about all the new and exciting products and incentives associated with this year's sale. Tickets to the race on the 12th will be provided to the Unit Kernels, plus three guests. Why have multiple fundraisers when a successful popcorn sale can cover all your program needs? For more information, contact District Kernel, Brian Hazelwood, at 885-5943 or Jonathan Widmark at 797-5252, ext. 23 or jwidmark@bsamail.org.

DISTRICT DINNER AND AWARDS NIGHT!

The Casco Bay District will be holding a district dinner on Sunday, August 27th at Camp Hinds in Raymond. All district Scouters and their families are invited to attend. We will be announcing this year's District Award of Merit recipients, as well as honoring other distinguished Scouters. Don't miss this fantastic opportunity to get together with fellow Scouters and their families to relax, have fun, and acknowledge each others contributions to Scouting. In addition, this year we will be complimenting our usual program with an array of family fun activities for all Scouters and their families to

participate. Registration forms are available at the Pine Tree Council. Any questions should be directed to Peter Curran at 655-3648 or Jonathan Widmark at 797-5252 ext. 23.

RACE INTO SCOUTING 2006!

This year's Race to Scouting will be held on Tuesday, September 19th and Thursday, September 21st. Please take some time and sit down with your unit committees and decide which date works best for your unit, as well as determining where you will be holding your sign-up night. Try to choose public places that most members of your communities will be familiar with, like schools or recreational centers. Also, you might want to coordinate with other units in your community to centralize your recruitment efforts and offer a combined citywide sign-up. Lets start the planning process now and make this a record year for sign-ups so that we can offer our programs to more kids than ever and make an even greater difference. Once you have chosen your date and location for sign-up, please contact Jonathan Widmark at 797-5252 ext. 23 or at jwidmark@bsamail.org.

Webelos Woods Weekend

When: September 22, 23, 24, 2006

Where: Camp Hinds

This is exactly what you Webelos Scouts have been waiting for all these years, your very own camporee. Camp out at Camp Hinds and participate in all sorts of activities designed to help you along your path towards Cub Scouting's highest award, The Arrow of Light. At the same time, you will pick-up all sorts of useful skills for your transition to Boy Scouting; but most importantly, you will have lots and lots of FUN! Registration is limited, so sign-up soon for a weekend of adventure, discovery, and fun! Any questions should be directed to Walter Bell at 774-0458 or Jonathan Widmark at 797-5252 ext. 23.

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Downeast District News

SPRING CAMPOREE

This year's theme for the Spring Camporee is Historical Scouting. Come ready to compete in skills used by scouters of the past, such as semaphore, stocking and tracking, bugling, and Dutch oven cooking. The Spring Camporee will be held at Camp Knickerbocker in Boothbay, May 19-21. For more information and registration, contact Steve Saucier at ssaucier@bsamail.org or 797-5252 ext. 28.

STEPPING UP

I would like to recognize and say thank you to a few Downeast District volunteers who have taken on district roles. Sue Kennedy is our new Cub Roundtable Commissioner. Sue also

writes the district news letter "The Beacon"; she is a wealth of knowledge when it comes to scouting and will surely make Roundtables fun and informative for all Cub Leaders. Agnes Parker is our new District Activities and Civic Service Chair. Agnes is also a committee member with Troop 621, is a merit badge counselor, loves working with kids and is eager to bring new ideas to the Downeast District to enhance our scouting program. Carl Young is a new Unit Commissioner serving Packs 696 and 201, and Troop 201, Carl is also an Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 621. I knew Carl would make a great commissioner when he was giving me uniform tips at the Troop's last Court of Honor. If anyone is interested in stepping up and helping to make the Downeast District

Invite a Friend Requirement, First Class

Scouts can now invite friends to join Scouting electronically! This is possible because of a new feature called the e-card, available to Scouts and leaders, on the www.thescoutzone.org web site. This fun and easy activity will help a Scout complete the new First Class requirement that states he must invite a

friend to a Troop meeting or activity. Please share this with people in your Unit.

Go to www.thescoutzone.org and click on "Tell a Friend". Follow the instructions. For more information please call your District Executive.

Boy Scout Camping

Boy Scouts — Are you signed up for camp yet? Join us for a great week of camping with advancement opportunities and fun!

2006 CAMP HINDS Boy Scout Resident Camp
 DATES & PROGRAMS

July 2 - 7 WEEK 1
 Troop & Provisional Camping
 Trail To Eagle*
 High Adventure Treks

July 9 - 14 WEEK 2
 Troop & Provisional Camping
 BSA Lifeguard*
 CIT Session 1- runs for 3 weeks

July 16 - 21 WEEK 3
 Troop & Provisional Camping
 High Adventure Treks

July 23 - 28 WEEK 4
 Troop & Provisional Camping
 BSA Lifeguard*

July 30 - Aug. 4 WEEK 5
 Troop & Provisional Camping
 CIT Session 2- runs for 3 weeks
 High Adventure Treks

Aug. 6 - 11 WEEK 6
 Troop & Provisional Camping
 BSA Lifeguard*

MUST be at least 13 years old
 Camp information and registrations forms are online
 at www.pinetreebsa.org

PTC Scout named America's "Young Birder of the Year"

What would it take to see over 400 different species of birds? Ten Years? A Lifetime? First Class Scout Luke Seitz, a resident of Falmouth, has seen 439 different species in just six years of birding all around the country. As a result of his passion and artistic abilities, Luke was the recipient of the American Birding Association's Young Birder of the Year Award for 2005.



This is a special honor for Luke who was competing with participants from all over the U.S. and the world. He entered three different modules of the contest, including field notebook, illustrations and photography. Since his move to Maine in 2003, he has spotted 289 different species

in our state, with the rarest being a Magnificent Frigate bird. He is an active Boy Scout in Portland Troop 41, and has been in scouting since his first days as a Tiger Scout in the Connecticut Rivers Council. He is a member of the Order of the Arrow, has attended the 2005 National Jamboree, and currently holds a position as a Patrol Leader in his troop.

In keeping with his birding passion, his goal is simple. "The rank of Eagle is what I am shooting for," said Luke recently.

"I know it will take a lot of effort, but I want to be known as an Eagle Scout for the rest of my life. I mean it is the only rank that is a bird."

Pine Tree Council Philmont Trek 2007

As in 2006, the Pine Tree Council will be sending a contingent of scouts and scouters to the Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, NM in 2007. We will be sending 24 participants including leaders on the trek from June 29-July 11, 2007. Participants must be in good physical shape and be at least 14 years of age by January 1, 2007.

Our trek will be a backpacking expedition for 12 days and nights through the Sangre de Cristo Mountains of Philmont Scout Ranch ranging in elevation up to 12,441 feet. Discover

the wonder of this scouting paradise by traveling with the Pine Tree Council contingent. A deposit of \$100.00 per person is required to secure a reservation for this trek. Spaces are still available.

The crew may be reduced in number depending on the early response of trek reservations. For more information, please contact Frank Gilcreast, PTC Philmont contingent advisor at 797-5252 ext. 24.

Welcome to Mike King

We would like to give a warm welcome to Mike King, the new Assistant Scout Shop Manager, for the Pine Tree Council. Mike has been involved in both Boy Scouting and Cub Scouting as a volunteer leader, has served on the Casco Bay District Committee, and most

recently served on the Pine Tree Council Executive Board. We are very lucky to have Mike as a part of our team at the Pine Tree Council. Please give him a warm welcome when you see him in the Scout Shop.

2006 Trail's End Popcorn Sale

The 2006 Trails End Popcorn sale has some exciting changes for 2006, and your unit will not want to miss out. The incentive program has improved, the prize program is as good as ever, and we still have the same great product mix to sell.

Remember that statistics overwhelmingly show that people will buy popcorn if they are asked. There are thousands of people that never get asked to buy popcorn. Motivate your Scouts to get out there and ask as many people as possible to support Scouting by buying a great product.

Once again, take advantage of the following incentives for your unit:

- 32% commission for Units
- New Units (Units that did not sell in 2005) receive an additional 2% bonus
- \$10 in Scout Bucks for EVERY take-order form completely filled out (Unit Kernel must sign off on each one)
- Over and Above incentive
- Packs & Troops can choose extra 5% profit over prize program
- Every Scout that sells \$1,500 will receive \$50 in Scout Bucks or a BSA, Wal-Mart, Toys-R-Us, Games and Gadgets, or Coleman gift card.
- Every Scout that sells over \$2,500 will be entered into the scholarship program (6% of gross sales will be credited to Scholarship account)
- National Fill Up Order Form Incentive - Each Scout that completely fills up 1 take-order form will receive a commemorative patch and certificate
- The top seller in each district will receive a \$100 L.L. Bean gift certificate

What's New?

- Every youth that fills out an entire take-order sheet will be entered into a drawing to win one of the following prizes:
 - Function Outdoor Pocket Knife
 - 18 in 1 Multi Purpose Survival Kit

- Bushnell Power 8x21 Binocular
- Trailworthy 3-Man Dome Tent
- Motorola 2-Way Radio Pair Rechargeable 5-Mile Range
- Timex Digital Compass Watch
- Meade Type Polaris Telescope
- Mongoose Electric Scooter

To make sure you have a successful 2006 Popcorn sale make sure your Pack or Troop has a representative attend your District Popcorn Kick-off at the location listed below:

Abnaki - August 23th @ 6:00PM at the District Program Launch (Location TBD)

Casco Bay - August 12th @ Beechridge Speedway in Scarborough (Time TBD)

Downeast - August 17th (Location and Time TBD)

Kennebec Valley - August 9th @ 5:00 PM (Location TBD)

York - August 27th @ 2:00PM at Camp Nutter

Be on the lookout for a mailing with further details.

Important Popcorn Sales Dates:

August 25: Show-N-Sell orders due at the PTC Service Center

August 25 - October 20: Take-Order sale

September 9 - October 15: Show-N-Sell sale

October 16 - 20: Show-N-Sell product return or transfer deadline

October 27: Take-Order and prize order forms due at PTC

November 3: Payment due for early-pay bonus of 2% for Show-n-Sell

November 11: Product Distribution: All Districts, 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

November 17: Additional orders due

December 1: All money due & accounts settled

For more information or if you have any questions, please call Jason Agren, Council Popcorn Campaign Director, at 797-5252, ext. 21.

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Abnaki District News

QUALITY PERFORMANCE

I want to thank all of the unit leaders and district volunteers who helped us achieve the Quality District Award for 2005, our second consecutive. Because of your efforts, we were able to have growth in membership in all programs, provide excellent district programming and make our financial goals. Great work everyone!

FALL RECRUITMENT

We will soon be looking for Fall recruitment dates. This year's sign-up campaign will be on September 19th and 21th. We will need your location, date, time, contact name and phone number.

TIGER DAY

We will be having our annual Tiger Day on Saturday, May 13th at Camp Gustin in Sabattus. Current Tiger Cubs and their Adult Partners are invited to a one-day day camp just for them! Registration is \$12 for the cub and the partner. Additional family members can come and participate for an extra \$6. Any family member who comes just to watch or help out is free.

SPRING CAMPOREE

We will be having our Spring Camporee in Dixfield from Friday, May 19th-21st to Sunday, May 15th. Registration is \$5 per Scout and Leader.

MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR LIST

Available at www.abnakidistrict.org. Please let us know if you would like to be added or removed from the list.

FUN PACK WEEKEND

Abnaki District is looking for adults and Boy Scouts (13

or older) to come help out during our weekend to host Fun Pack Weekend at Camp Hinds on Saturday, August 12th and Sunday, August 13th. If you are interested please contact our district's coordinator Mary Jane Vachon at 375-6614.

DAY CAMP

Our Director and Program Director for 2006 will be Scott Verrill of Pack 532 and Heather Clark of Pack 153. If you would like to volunteer for staff, please contact Scott at 597-3035.

PROGRAM LAUNCH AND KICK-OFF

We will only be having one Program Launch this year, and it will be on August 23. Look for information to come out before summer.

SCOUT NIGHT AT OXFORD PLAINS

On Saturday, June 17th, Oxford Plains Speedway in Oxford will be hosting a Scout Night at their Weekly Racing Series. All Scouts and Scout leaders that come in uniform will be admitted for free. (Family members will be charged the standard admission fee of \$10).

The Weekly Racing Series includes the following racing divisions: Oxford Networks Pro Stock, Lee Auto Mall Late Models, Limited Sportsman, Strictly Stock and Mini-Stock. The gates open for admission at 5:30 p.m. and racing is set to begin at 6:30pm and is expected to last until about 10pm.

Parking is free. Directions from the Maine Turnpike are as follows: Take Exit 63 (Gray), Turn Right off exit, Turn Left onto Route 26 North, Follow Route 26 for approx. 23 miles. Speedway is on the right.

Come out to enjoy a night of racing, and help us fill that raceway with blue, tan, yellow and green uniforms!

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Casco Bay District News

SCOUTS TO THE RESCUE: SPRING CAMPOREE '06
The Casco Bay District Spring Camporee will be held May 19-21 at Bradbury Mountain State Park in Pownal. This year's theme is "Emergency Preparedness" and Troop 45 of Freeport will host the event. The district activities committee, along with Troop 45, have teamed up with Maine Emergency Management, the Red Cross, and Freeport Fire and Rescue to put together an emergency preparedness themed program that is sure to excite and enthuse all those who attend. Don't miss this opportunity to participate in what will undoubtedly prove to be an unforgettable camporee. Register early so that

you don't miss out on the fun and excitement. Any questions should be directed to Paul Conley at 865-3421 or Jonathan Widmark at 797-5252, ext. 23.

DAY CAMP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Casco Bay District will be hosting two weeks of Cub Scout Day Camp this year. The first week will be at MacWorth Island in Falmouth from July 24th through July 28th. The second week will be at Camp Hinds in Raymond from July 31st through August 4th. This year's theme is "Where in the World is Akela" and there is no question that the kids are

Pine Tree Council Website



For those of you that have not visited the Pine Tree Council website, you do not know what you have been missing. The website, www.pinetreebsa.org, is filled with event and activity updates, program ideas, numerous scouting website links, and all the forms you will ever need. In 2004, the Pine Tree

Council website was chosen, out of 258 entries, as one of six websites to earn the National President's Award for Marketing Excellence from the National Council.

Special thanks and accolades go to Matt Dubois, the volunteer council Webmaster, for his hard work and dedication to the website. Matt has helped the website get to where it is today. The website has helped hundreds of volunteer scouters deliver a better Scouting program to their units.

The Turtle Speaks

News from Madockawanda Lodge 271



- 34 Brothers from Madockawanda Lodge will be attending the **2006 National Order of the Arrow Conference** at Michigan State University during the week of July 29th to August 3rd. The contingent, led by Lodge Chief Dan Warner and NOAC Committee Chairman Noah Lemire will actually spend a couple of days in Chicago in advance of NOAC adding a bit of Midwest flavor to the trip. Then it's an afternoon Amtrak ride to East Lansing where approximately 8,000 Brothers are expected to attend. This year's group represents the largest contingent sent by our lodge since 1992!

- Ten members from our lodge, led by contingent leader Phil Taschereau recently represented Maine and the Order by attending the **44th Annual West Point Scoutmaster's Camporee** held on the grounds of the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York. Look for the follow-up story in the July-October issue of Turtle Soup!

- For those new Ordeal members, please remember that **Brotherhood Conversion Ceremonies** will be held at both Spring Ordeal weekends at Camp Hinds on June 3rd and June 17th. Also, if you are attending

summer camp, please remember that you can also seal your brotherhood membership in the Order every Thursday night at Camp Hinds.

- Speaking of Summer Camp, the **OA Service Hour** will again take place every Thursday during the 2006 summer camp season. This is an opportunity to spend approximately one hour in "cheerful service" and to help camp staff with service projects designed to keep Camp Hinds in "tip top" shape during the summer camp season. Participants receive the 2006 edition of the Service Hour patch (the eight in this series), fellowship, and the great feeling that volunteering brings to your self esteem. Honestly, is there a better way to spend a great evening on the shores of Panther Pond?

- And, finally, if you know of a brother who hasn't paid their **2006 dues** yet, please encourage them to register. Membership has its advantages, including mailings of the lodge newsletter, Turtle Soup, and regular updates on special Lodge, Section, and National Order of the Arrow events. Dues coupons are available on the lodge website: <http://lodge.pinetreebsa.org>.

2006 PTC Distinguished Citizen



We would like to congratulate Keith Burkley, Division President, Time Warner Cable of New England, for being selected as the 2006 recipient of the Pine Tree Council Distinguished Citizen Award (DCAD).

The DCAD is an annual event sponsored by the Pine Tree Council, to honor an outstanding individual or business. The event promotes dynamic community partnerships

that exist between Scouting and area businesses. The dinner serves to showcase the contributions of the honoree to the local community as well as promote public awareness of the Scouting program. The Pine Tree Council is honored to have Keith Burkley as this year's recipient.

The event will be held on September 6, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn by the Bay.

PTC Invites You to Participate in the Sea Dogs Overnight Saturday, June 24, 2006

Don't miss out on this exclusive, Scouts & family members **ONLY**, opportunity to camp out at Hadlock Field. Please wear your Scouting uniform!

Tickets for the event are \$20 per person. Each ticket includes:

- Admission to the game – Sea Dogs vs. New Hampshire Fisher Cats
- Movie after the game on the Ford Board (Jumbotron). Movie being shown is Angels in the Outfield
- Overnight on the field!!!
- Special Event Patch including the PTC and Sea Dogs logo
- Scout families should enter the game at the special Scout entrance at the end of the handicap parking lot. Only families with tickets purchased through the Pine Tree Council will be allowed in this entrance. Late arrivals should check in with the information desk inside the front entrance. After the game, Scouts will be allowed 30 minutes

to collect overnight camping equipment from vehicles. Tents are welcome but cannot be staked into the ground! We must keep the field in top shape! No outside food or drink will be allowed into the stadium. Concessions will be open until 12:00AM. Three light towers will remain lit throughout the night with bathroom facilities remaining open.

Each youth must be supervised by an adult, guardian, or Scout Leader. Tickets are available **ONLY** through the Pine Tree Council. There is no rain date for this event. (There will be no refunds in the event of a rain-out.) Tickets may be exchanged per the Sea Dogs rain policy. If you have questions, please call 207-797-5252 ext. 10.

Be on the look-out for a sign-up mailer being sent to all registered youth. There are a limited number of tickets for this event and they are on a first come first served basis only!! Sign up early! No phone orders will be taken.

FUNTOWN / SPLASHTOWN U.S.A.

Once again the Pine Tree Council, will be offering discounted Funtown/Splashtown tickets so that Scouts and their families can enjoy a fun day together! Come join the fun and live stage shows. The prices for the 2006 season are as follows:

- Funtown Pass \$17.00**
- Splashtown Pass \$14.00**
- Combination Pass \$22.00**

The tickets will be available for sale at the Pine Tree Council Service Center May 1 through September 1, 2006. As with last year's tickets sale, these tickets can be used anytime during the 2006 Funtown/Splashtown U.S.A. season. Tickets are available on a first come first served basis. Please do not wait for the last day to purchase your tickets as they sell out quickly. If you have any questions, please call Jo at 797-5252, ext. 10.

Training at a Glance - Upcoming Dates

May

5 - 7 Council-wide and York Boy Scout Intro to Outdoor Leader Skills at Camp Nutter

June

3 K-Valley New Leader Essentials with Cub and Boy Scout Leader Specifics

For more information on training, contact your District Executive at 797-5252 and use the extensions listed below:
Abnaki Ext. 33 Casco Bay Ext. 23 Downeast Ext. 28 K-Valley Ext. 27 York Ext. 24 Exploring Ext. 34

Supplemental Training Modules for Scout leader's now online at www.pinetreebsa.org

Supplemental training modules are online and are designed to provide orientation beyond the basic training offered in New Leader Essentials and leader-specific training. Each module is a unit of training that can be used as an outline for a group, for personal coaching, or for self-study. Most of the outlines should require about an hour to complete. Consider each unit of study to be an introduction to the subject. Scouters are welcome to download subjects that are of interest for personal or unit use. Go to our website at www.pinetreebsa.org and click on trainings/online!

Orientation for New Boy Scout Parents

This brief orientation is designed to draw new parents into the troop experience and give them the information they need to enjoy the program and help their sons succeed.

Selecting Quality Leaders

This session will provide an overview of the seven steps to recruiting a key adult unit leader and will prepare participants to recruit new leaders for their units' needs.

Board of Review Training

This module will train troop committee members and others in the purposes of the board of review, offering suggestions for the types of questions that can or should be asked.

Planning and Conducting a Safe Scout Outing

Safe Scouting can happen if you follow the Scout motto—Be Prepared. This unit of supplementary training will describe how to plan for and conduct a safe Scout outing.

Scoutmaster Conference Training

This module will teach Scoutmasters, assistant Scoutmasters, and other troop leaders about the purposes of the Scoutmaster's conference and will offer suggestions for questions that could be asked at these conferences.

The Order of the Arrow and Your Troop

This session discusses the benefits to the individual, troop, district, and council as a result of the Order of the Arrow's influence in your troop.

Geocaching to Promote Scouting

Geocaching is an exciting new sport that uses GPS navigation to find hidden treasures. It provides another tool for the fun-with-a-purpose toolbox and can combine outdoor adventure with advancement, recruiting, retention, and public relations.

PowerPoint Presentations

The following items are available in Microsoft PowerPoint (PPT) format:

- Supporting Scouts With ADHD

Pine Tree Council University of Scouting ~ 2006

Thanks for joining us! We hope you enjoyed the day! Over 300 Scout leaders, parents and Order of the Arrow members attended Pine Tree Councils' annual University of Scouting held March 25th at CMCC.

Our thanks to the many volunteers who helped with classes, registration, setup and more!

Our hats off to our University Faculty!

Bill Coffin - President

~And our Deans~

Paul Conley - Exploring & Venturing

Aaron Wiggin - OA Studies

Anne Randall - General Studies

Sherry Robinson - Cub Scouting

Bob Robinson - Boy Scouting

Tom Morris - Facilities

Sue Pinette - Registrar

Matt Dubois - Promotions

Brian Hazelwood - Food

And the Order of the Arrow

for providing a great work force!

The University was a great day of learning new skills, meeting new acquaintances, great classes, along with enjoying Scouting friendships!

Welcome to Steve Saucier

Steve joined the Pine Tree Council as the District Executive of Downeast District in January of this year.

Steve is currently serving as President of the Sebago Chapter of Trout Unlimited and is also going to be certified to instruct on our COPE course at Camp Hinds.

He currently lives in Biddeford, but hopes to move into

the Downeast district by this summer.

Steve's email is ssaucier@bsaemail.org and his phone number is 797-5252, ext. 28. Please extend a warm welcome to Steve as he makes the rounds at district and council events.

Congratulations to our 2006 Silver Beaver Award Recipients!

The Pine Tree Council, acting through the National Court of Honor, has awarded the Silver Beaver Award to seven volunteers. The Silver Beaver Award is presented in recognition of "noteworthy service of exceptional charter to youth." It is the highest award, at the council level, that may be presented to a volunteer. This year's recipients of the Silver Beaver Award are:

Jennifer Mogavero
James Weaver
Reed Quinn
Alan Duplessis
Fred Chellis
Allen Crabtree, III
Walter Bell

We thank each of you for your outstanding commitment and distinguished service to our youth!

Scoutreach in the News

Many people hear about the Scoutreach program but don't know any more than that. This program is set up to help youth that need the scouting program and just would not get it if the program wasn't provided and organized by the Pine Tree Council.

Tom Morris, Steve Adler, and Mary Jane Vachon serve Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts from Augusta to Saco

each week as our program specialists. We have formed collaborative efforts with YMCAs, housing complexes, and after school groups to let kids learn about the scouting program. If you would like to help, let the Pine Tree Council know and we will relay that information to our program specialists.

Bill Niss Museum at Pine Tree Council

Have you visited the "Bill Niss Museum" at Pine Tree Council? Many donations of Scouting books, patches and memorabilia, along with the history of the Pine Tree Council, recorded in many photographs, is on display at the Scout Museum located at the Cianchette Scout Service Center, the PTC headquarters in Portland. We are very lucky to have this space to preserve our history and pass it along. Many donations of uniforms, Scouting

memorabilia, books and photographs have come in as donations to the museum. We will be trying to rotate items in and out and changing our displays on a regular basis to accommodate all of it!

Pine Tree Council is looking for a few volunteers to help record, track and display our memorabilia. If you would like to help, please contact Cathy Gosselin at 797-5252, ext. 14.

3rd Trailblazer Day!

Calling all new Cub Scouts and families! Join us for a fun day of activities at our 3rd Trailblazer Day!

Trailblazer Day will be offered again this year on Oct. 7th, 2006 at Camp Hinds in Raymond. The Trailblazer program is a fun-filled day for Cub Scouts and parents to introduce them to the Outdoors and the adventures of Scouting and Camp! Cost will be only \$6.00 per person and will include a BBQ lunch and full day of activities!

Trailblazer Day Features:
Round robin activities for Cub Scouts and parents!

- Air Rifle Safety & Shooting
- Basic Fishing Skills
- Archery Target Shooting
- Obstacle Course
- Wildlife Stations & Activities
- BBQ Lunch and more!

Program runs from 8:30 – 4:30
Patches and prizes for all Cub Scouts!