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WELCOME TO SCOUTING

The Pine Tree Council Boy Scouts of America would like to welcome you to the Scouting experience for 2003-2004. The Scouting family in Maine consists of 15,000 youth and over 3,000 adult volunteers. Your year in Scouts will consist of den meetings, pack meetings, banquets, pinewood derby's, summer camp, and much, much more.

Your son has the opportunity to learn skills that will help him for the rest of his life. What adults may not know is that according to a Harris Interactive survey, volunteering has a positive impact on areas of personal values, communication skills, relationship skills, survival skills, and management skills.

Adults that participated in the recent Harris survey said that they volunteer more because of the training that they receive in the program. Some parents say that they have more fun than their kids do on unit hikes and campouts. Fun is a major part of the Scouting program so enjoy yourself.

As an adult with a youth in the Scout program you will be asked to help on various occasions. Please take the time as a family to enjoy the many great opportunities that will take place this year. Always remember that the more people involved in the program the more resources that will be available to the youth. Make sure to share your knowledge and experiences with other Scouting families.

During the year, your Cub Scout Pack, Boy Scout Troop or Venture Crew will probably take advantage of the discount ticket opportunities and special promotion events that are offered in the Pine Tree Council. If you are not aware of these activities, please attend a district roundtable meeting or check the council web site at www.pinetreebsa.org for more information. We hope that you have an outstanding year of fun.



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Philmont Training



From left to right: Michael King , J. T. Dabbs, and Bill Coffin

This summer, the Pine Tree Council had several volunteers attend the Philmont Training Center. Bill Coffin, Council Commissioner, Michael King, Board Member, and J. T. Dabbs, Scout Executive served on Faculty for the District Operations session in July.(see photo)

Serving as the national training center for the Boy Scouts of America since 1950, the Philmont Training Center (PTC) provides a unique environment for the training of volunteer and professional leaders. Each year, more than 6,000 Scouters and family members attend PTC.

Each conference features the

latest tools and techniques, audiovisuals, discussions, idea sharing, and activities led by a faculty of experienced Scouters. Invitation to these conferences is upon recommendation of the local council or a national committee.

There are many outstanding training opportunities available for many of you. Please contact your District Executive if you would like an invitation to attend the highlight of volunteer training, the Philmont Training Center.

For more information go to www.scouting.org/philmont/ptc.

Friends of Scouting

Would you still be involved in the Cub Scout, Boy Scout or Exploring program if your yearly membership fee was \$100 or more? Would you enjoy going to camp if you didn't have a tent to sleep in or a beach to swim at?

Starting January 1, 2004, a short (10 minute) Friends of Scouting presentation will be held at your unit meeting. This is your opportunity to make a tax-deductible donation to the Scouting program. By donating to the Scout program, you keep the program affordable for every youth to join and participate.

Please encourage all of the parents in your unit to participate in the Friends of Scouting program. Your donation helps keep the cost of Scouting affordable for every child. If you have questions, or don't want to wait until the new year to make your donation, contact the Pine Tree Council Office at 797-5252.

Today's youth are tomorrow's leaders, and without your support, many youth will not be able to learn and grow in a positive environment.

2003 Trail's End Popcorn Sale

Governor John Baldacci (center) purchases the first Trail's End popcorn products for this year's sale. Standing behind the Governor are Cub Scouts from Pack 47 in Scarborough and Pack 86 in Gray.



The 2003 Trail's End popcorn sale was officially kicked-off when Governor John Baldacci purchased the first tins of popcorn for the 2003 sale. The Governor, having been a Scout himself, wished success to all Scouts in the Pine Tree Council in their efforts with this year's popcorn sale.

We hope that your unit is finding success in the Show-n-Sell and Take-Order sales! All popcorn sales materials have been distributed and mailed to all of the Packs, Troops, and Crews. If at any time, you find that your Unit is running short on materials, please contact the Pine Tree Council and we will send them out to you immediately.

Remember, 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.

Important Popcorn Sales Dates:

September 3- October 20 . . Take-Order sale
October 17. Show-N-Sell product return or transfer deadline
October 24. Take-Order and prize order forms due at PTC
October 27. Payment due for early-pay bonus of 2% for Show-n-Sell
November 8. Product Distribution: All Districts, 8:00 AM- 11:00 AM
November 14. Additional orders due
December 5 All money due & accounts settled

Take advantage of the new incentives for your Units:

- ✓ 32% commission for Units (up from 30% in 2002).
- ✓ \$10 in Scout Bucks for EVERY take-order form completely filled out. (Unit Kernel (must sign off on each one).
- ✓ Over and Above incentive
- ✓ All Units can choose extra 5% profit over prize program
- ✓ Every Scout that sells \$1,000 will receive \$40 in Scout bucks or Wal-Mart or Toy's -R-us gift card.
- ✓ Every Scout that sells over \$2,000 will be entered into the scholarship program.

For more information on the sale, or for any general information, please contact your District Kernels.

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Casco Bay- Brian Hazelwood 885-5943

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Abnaki District

District Activities

The Abnaki District Fall Camporee will be held at Camp Gustinshire (Gustin) the weekend of October 3-5, 2003. The theme for the Camporee is Medieval Tournament. The cost

will be \$7.00, which includes a patch and Medieval Banquet. Please register for this event by calling (207) 797-5252 extension 33.

Re-charter Clinic

The December Roundtable is a very busy one. Not only do we offer Roundtable activities for you, we also offer a Re-charter Clinic. The purpose of the Re-Charter Clinic is to give you a chance to sit down with a Unit Commissioner to go over the information and fees you are turning in. Please remember that any name you see highlighted is a person that needs to go through training for their role in your Unit. If they are marked on the form, they will be dropped at re-charter time and will need to fill out another application and go on your overflow sheet. They still need to go through training. Please keep this in mind and remind them to go to training prior to December. All re-charter packets are due by December 15th.

School Night for Scouting

Please turn in all registration forms you received through your recruiting efforts. The Accident and Sickness Insurance Policy of the Pine Tree Council only covers youth and adults that are registered. Please do not wait to turn in registration forms in December.

Popcorn Distribution

Popcorn distribution will take place at Federal Distributors in Lewiston from 8:00-11:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 8. Please observe the traffic pattern so that you do not block in cars that are leaving. The District Popcorn Team will be busy pulling and loading your orders, so please be patient. Please contact Norm Martin at 783-9432 or Mike Fournier at 786-8656 if you have any questions.

Friends of Scouting

Please let us know when you would like to schedule a Friends of Scouting presentation for your Unit. Presentations can be done during Pack Meetings, Blue & Gold Banquets, and Troop Court of Honors in the months of January, February, March, April, and May. There are different levels of opportunity that parents can give to Scouting. Please contact (207) 797-5252 ext. 33 if you have any questions.

SILVER BEAVER RECIPIENTS 2003

Each year the Pine Tree Council has the opportunity to present the Silver Beaver Award to outstanding volunteers that go above and beyond to see that the youth of the council have a great program. Nomination forms are available at the Pine Tree Council Service Center, and your district roundtable.

If there is a registered adult that seems to do everything for your unit, district and/or council, please take the time to nominate them for this high level award. Awards will be presented at the Pine Tree Council Annual Business Meeting in December. Award nominations are due to the Pine Tree Council office by October 30, 2003.

The Turtle Speaks

- Just a reminder to all Brothers that they should be watching for the special flyer that will announce the 2003 Lodge Leadership and Development ("LLD") weekend scheduled for October 24-26, 2003 at Camp Hinds. Beyond the usual training sessions, this is the weekend the Lodge elects its officers for 2004. Take part in the Lodge training and fellowship that happens during this weekend of training and inter-chapter activities!
- Right after the LLD weekend, flyers for the Lodge Annual Banquet will be mailed and this year looks to be another excellent celebration of the lodge's commitment to the Order and to Council camping. Hosted by K-Valley Chapter, the banquet will be held at the Senator Inn in Augusta on Saturday, December 6, 2003 at 1:00 PM. This is also the weekend that the lodge recognizes its Honor Chapter and Founders' Award winners, so please make sure to mark your calendars for this wonderful event!
- The lodge would like to pass on its sincere thanks to Andrew Buckley and Tim Curtis, who were the youth chairmen for the 2003 OA Service Hour Programs at both Camp Hinds and Camp Bomazeen. Andrew ran the program at Camp Bomazeen, while Tim did the same at Camp Hinds. Watch for the final statistics and headcounts for participation in the November-December issue of Turtle Speaks, or on the lodge website: www.pine-treetsa.org/lodge.
- Finally, Brothers should be looking forward to the 2004 Lodge Year, our 60th Anniversary! A special 60th Anniversary Service Award is being planned for all brothers to be eligible to earn, and festivities during the year will also include the re-dedication of the original Lodge ceremony site at Camp Hinds. All fall, the lodge has been planning these events through the recently created 60th Anniversary Committee, Chaired by Dan Warner of Abnaki Chapter.

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Friends of Scouting Presentations

We would like to get a head start on Friends of Scouting presentations this year. If you would all look at your calendars and discuss with your unit committees when would be the best time to schedule a FOS presentation starting in January, it would be most helpful. The preferred time to do these are Blue and Gold Banquets and Court of Honors. Please contact Dennis Worster at 892-1126 or dworster@msn.com to schedule a presentation for your unit. Any other questions can be directed to Jonathan Widmark at 797-5252 ext. 23 or jwidmark@bsaemail.org.

Scout Show!

The previous date of February 8th for the Scout Show has been changed to February 1st at the Cumberland County Civic Center. All units are highly encouraged to participate by setting up a booth to demonstrate "what Scouts do." This event is open to the public and will be a wonderful time for all. Please contact Bruce and Sherry Beety at 642-2991 to sign-up for your booth.

Merit Badge Program 2003-2004

This year's merit badge program will be taking place on Oct. 15th, Nov. 19th, Dec. 17th, and Jan. 14th at the Central Square Baptist Church in Portland. The badges being offered will be: Personal Management, Family Life, Citizenship in the World/Nation/Community, and Communications. More information will be available at the district roundtable. Any questions should be directed to Larry Levesque at 854-2379 or 233-7119.

Fall Camporee 2003!

You guessed it; it is that time of the year again. Our district activity folks have been busy all summer putting together a guaranteed fun filled time for all at this year's fall camporee. The theme is orienteering and there is no doubt that it will test the knowledge of even the most seasoned scouts. Troop 76 will be hosting this year's event at Kiwanis Beach on Route 25 in Standish on October 17-19. Cost is \$7.50 per person. For more information

contact, Bruce Beety at 642-2991 or visit the web site:<http://w3.ime.net/~brbeety/>

Thank You to the Community!

Thank you to the many donations from area businesses for making sure we had the finances to make great crafts, a couple free treats, and recognitions to the leaders. A little chocolate goes a long way in feeling appreciated. Wal-Mart, Sam's Club, Hannaford Bros., the firemen of Scarborough Fire Dept., Deb Dudevoir and Sheila from UNE Marine Science Dept., Nancy Becker and Mitchell from Portland Fencing (www.Portlandfencingcenter.com; 856-1048), the recruiting offices of the United States Air Force, Marines, Army and Navy for supplying the lanyards, Dr. Stephen Mills DDS for the tooth chests, Dr. Stephen Kirsch, Lloyd Snyder, Homan's Associates, Ron Forrest and Sons for the wood, and Casco Bay Tackle. Thank you to the Scammon family for allowing us to use Ingallsides Recreation Area. The site was immaculate, and they were always available. The Cub Scouts showed incredible behavior, and I was proud to have spent the week with them. I look forward to finding fun ways to spend the week next year.

With my utmost respect and sincerity,

Tracy Murphy

or known by those at camp as "Capt Cocoa"



2003 Casco Bay District Award of Merit Recipients. From left, John Trott, Victor Rollins, Fred Ronco, and Jon Patten.

Designate, It makes the difference. *✓ Pine Tree Council, Boy Scouts of America*

Many of you will be asked to support your local United Way Agency this fall as they kick off their Annual Giving Campaign. The Boy Scouts of America has had a long history with the United Way. As a founding agency of the United Way, the Boy Scouts of America greatly appreciates the support that has been extended to Boy Scout councils across the country. For many decades, United Way funding has helped the BSA bring the Scouting programs to underprivileged youth, introduce new programs, and broaden the existing program.

Every United Way is led by a board of local volunteers who help set policies and make funding decisions. The decision to continue funding the Boy Scouts program is made individually by each United Way.

In the Pine Tree Council, many United Ways continue to support the local council by passing on to the council those financial donations that have been designated to the Boy Scouts of America. We encourage you to participate in your companies United Way Campaign, but make sure you fill out the pledge card you make a note that you want your gift designated to the Pine Tree Council, Boy Scouts of America. If there is not a place to designate, make sure you write it on the pledge card anyway.

The Following United Ways Designate Monies to the Pine Tree Council:

Portland United Way, Mid-Coast, Mid-Maine, Sea Coast, York County, Androscoggin, K Valley, Greater Portland

If you want the full value of your gift to go towards the Boy Scouts of America, then we suggest that you make your pledge directly to the Pine Tree Council, and not to the United Way. That way 100% of the money you donate is used for Scouting programs. If

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Downeast District

Cub Scout Roundtable gives Leaders a head start on next month's program

* Union Cub Leaders take Roundtable reins from retiring Veteran Ann Wonder. All will have all new exciting programs, fellowship, and fun. Roundtables are held on the second Wednesday of every month at the Wiscasset Middle School on Route 218 (sign-in at 6:45pm). From the 7 p.m. opening ceremony to the 8:30 close, Den Leaders, Cubmasters, and Committee Members will find what they are looking for in our program features, targeted breakout sessions, experiential workshops, games, and discussions.

Jim Murphy and Mike Thompson plan to utilize a variety of successful leaders from Dens and Packs throughout the district while having plenty of interaction to let new leaders ask questions and get answers.

The September program will feature program ideas for the October theme "Once upon a time" as well as the Showman and Citizen Webelos activity pins. October Roundtable will have the reintroduction of the Downeast District Trading Post. We will have a variety of literature, program materials and advancement recognition available.

Back By Popular Demand! Cub Fall Rally, October 4, Camp Knickerbocker, Boothbay.

Registration will begin at 3:45 pm with games; trail activities, and crafts beginning at 4:00 p.m. There will be a brief snack period followed by an exciting campfire program at 5:30pm. Return Engagement!! Cub Scout and Webelos Fall Rally, Saturday, October 4, 2003 at Camp Knickerbocker, Barter's Island Road, Boothbay. Join with other Cub Packs from Downeast District in a Cub Scout Rally!

Remember the fun we had at last fall's rally? Save the date and drive to Boothbay. Camp Knickerbocker is easy to find. Please pre-register by September 30, so we will have plenty of craft materials and snacks.

The theme is Wild West/Frontier/Rodeo! Please encourage your Cubs to come in costume. If that is not possible, please have them wear either their Scout uniform or a Scout t-shirt! (This is a great photo-op for your local paper!) The rally will be held rain or shine. The registration fees are: \$5.00 per Scout and adult, \$7.00 for a family of 3 or more, please make checks payable to the Pine Tree Council. Pre-register as a pack or family, fees will be collected at the door. Contact: Susan Kennedy, District Activities Chairman - 798-7920 or scouter@blazenetme.net. Directions to Camp Knickerbocker: Take Route 1 to Route 27 South. Drive 9.6 miles to the monument in Boothbay. Go to the right of the statue, then straight for 3/10 mile to Barter's Island Road. Turn right, continue 7/10 mile to the camp, it will be on the right. Look for Scout signs!

New Leader Essentials & Cub Leader Specific Training Being Offered

Local training for Cub Scout leaders ensures a quality program. Training is being offered on Saturday, October 18, in Rockland. Basic training for new Cub Scout leaders will be provided by the Downeast District Training team at two more locations this fall:

On Saturday, October 18, at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Rockland, and on two Thursday evenings, November 13 and 20, at a location to be announced.

"This training provides new leaders with background in youth development, the goals of Cub Scouting, program organization and planning and much, much more," according to District Commissioner Susan Kennedy.

"It is important that each Cub Scout gets the best quality program in every community," says Kennedy. "That is why our Scout Council requires that every new leader receive formal training as soon as possible after registering for a leadership responsibility." Initial training for new leaders takes the form of personal coaching, a "fast start" video series and a five hour workshop with both general training and specific sessions tailored to a person's Scouting assignment.

By offering it in both a Saturday morning and two evening session format, and at three locations, the district hopes to make it more accessible to leaders with various schedules.

Webelos Leader Outdoor Training Training for Webelos Leaders and Bear Leaders (Be prepared for your Webelos Den next year!)

Date: October 4, 2003

Cost: \$8

Time: 8:00 a.m. (Registration)

Sessions Run 8:30 a.m.

Place: Camp Knickerbocker, Boothbay until 3 p.m.

Other: Lunch provided, pre-registration requested, bring a mess kit, a camp stool, a 4ft. length of rope! Be prepared for the weather. Webelos Leader Outdoor Training - your chance to get acquainted with the basic camping skills, outdoor activities, and health and safety issues that encompass the outdoor program for Webelos Scouts -the foundation for the next, higher step in Scouting.

Values of the Outdoor Program, Woods Tools and Knots, Planning Overnight Campouts, Naturalist and Forester Activity Badges, First Aid, Campfire Planning and much more!

This training is required to take your Webelos Den Camping.

To Pre-Register or for more information, please contact:

Susan Kennedy, 798-7920 or scouter@blazenetme.net

***Directions to Camp Knickerbocker: Take Route 1 to Route 27 South. Drive 9.6 miles to the monument in Boothbay. Go to the right of the statue, then straight for .3 mile to Barter's Island Road. Go. 7 mile to the camp, which is on the right. Look for Scout signs.

Popcorn Distribution!

We hope all of you have a very successful popcorn sale. Popcorn distribution will take place on Saturday, November 8, at Lincoln County News. Distribution will begin at 8am sharp and will be done by 11am. Please be sure to have enough vehicles for the amount of popcorn that your unit has sold. All orders will be pre-sorted and ready for distribution on Saturday. For directions or information, please contact Melissa Fortuna at 785-5669 or rf101@midcoast.com.

Welcome our New Downeast District Commissioner

The Downeast District Committee would like to welcome aboard Susan Kennedy as our District Commissioner. Susan is replacing Timothy Moody who has been with the District for almost 3 years. Tim's leadership and dedication will be missed. Tim, who is also the Scoutmaster for Troop 648 in Brunswick, will remain as an Assistant District Commissioner and is going to be focusing his time with the troop. We would like to thank Tim for years of dedicated service.

Susan has served the district in numerous positions and has decided to focus her efforts and time with the units. She believes in the program and brings an extensive knowledge of the program to the table. Susan's oldest son has just made the rank of Eagle Scout, which she is excited about. We look forward to her energy and passion of the scouting program.

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K-Valley

POPCORN

If your Unit has not sold popcorn in the past, please consider it this year as your major fundraiser. It is an easy product to sell, since folks want to support scouting and the holidays are close at

hand. Plus, if you try the Show-N-Sell program, it is a great way for customers to see the product and is therefore harder for them to resist purchasing. Show-N-Sell and Take Order Popcorn Sales have been successful in many Units - why not make it happen for your Unit? There are new incentives, new products and great prizes for 2003. Popcorn monies can help your unit fund camp, badges, food, transportation, uniforms, and much more for your units. Visit the Trail's End Popcorn website at www.trails-end.com, and then contact Luanne Chesley at 923-3883 regarding the district popcorn sale.

The District Executive's Soap Box

Thank you to all for your hard work and flawless support of our district while I was on "remote assignment" at Camp Hinds. Plus, special thanks to Bunny Wiggin and John Berryman for running outstanding Cub Scout camping programs for our youth during the summer of 2003!!

I would ask all of you to keep the following in mind as we approach the end of one year and the beginning of another:

- **Get your boys camping** - District, unit, council, or national events - camping is the event that for most scouts keeps them in the program for longer periods of time.

- **Friends of Scouting** - Please consider allowing a district volunteer to visit your unit during the early winter in order to talk to you and your parents about giving to Scouting - the gifts we receive from this effort go right back into helping our kids, adult volunteers, and programs.

- **Recruiting** - Kids don't just fall into a Scouting unit - we need to go and snag them ourselves. Every unit can create a recruiting event easily - just call your local school and set up a time to talk with the boys in the age group you wish to target.

- **Training** - Happy Units are Trained Units. Many of the questions most volunteers have about our program can be answered by attending training. If you are not trained, make a commitment to get trained.

Should you need further information or resources on any of these topics, please visit the council website, the district website, or call Matthew Randall at 797-5252 ext. 27 the council office.

Kennebec Valley Website

Check out our awesome website for information about events in the Kennebec Valley area -WWW.KV-SCOUTS.ORG!!!

Please download the district survey from our website, fill it out, and e-mail it to Charlie Matthews. This is our way of finding out how we, as a district, can better serve you, your unit, your volunteers, and your Scouts.

Also, check out the new Recruiting Resources and Merit Badge Counselor Lists on the web page!!

If you want your name on the District E-Mail List to receive monthly updates on the district, please send your name, unit number, and e-mail address to Scott Bernier at Moxieman@gwi.net.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

It is the time of year when we lend a hand to our neighbors as we collect food for the Scouting for Food program. Scouts will drop-off bags on **Saturday, October 25th** and return to pick them up on **Saturday, November 1st**. The food items will be taken to area food pantries for distribution to families in need of assistance. The Exploring Division will be doing their Exploring for Goodwill at the same time. Please do what you can to help with this Good Deed. The bags are available in limited quantities in each District this year, so please take only what you will need.

Pine Tree Council Philmont Trek 2004

As in 2003, the Pine Tree Council will be sending a contingent of Scouts and Scouters to the Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, NM. We will be sending 24 participants, including leaders, on the trek from **July 17-29, 2004**. Participants must be in good physical shape and be at least 14 years of age by **January 1, 2004**. There are a few spaces still available.

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. Those interested in more information, please contact Frank Gilcrest Philmont staff advisor at 797-5252 ext. 24.

York District

Cub Scout Monthly Themes and Webelos Activity Badges

The monthly theme for October is "Once Upon A Time." The activity badges are Showman / Citizen. For the month of November, the theme is "Pilgrims of Plymouth Rock "s and the activity badges are Craftsman / Scientist. The month's theme for December is "A Cub Scout Gives Goodwill" and the activity badges are Craftsman / Scientist. You can obtain more information about these in the Scout Shop.

Popcorn Pick-up

Mark **Saturday, November 8, 2003** from **8:00 - 11:00 AM** as the date to pick-up your popcorn at **Hussey Seating Company 38 Dyer St. North Berwick, ME**. We will need help on **Friday Night, November 7** to separate the popcorn orders. When you are done helping, you can take your order with you that night. Call Tim Dunn at 985-9206 or Frank Gilcreast at 797-5252 ext. 24 if you can help.

York District Fall Training Schedule

New Adult Leader Training is scheduled for **Saturday, October 4, 2003 from 8:00 AM to @ 3:00PM** at the **Saco City Hall**. ALL New Leaders that have signed up since the Spring Training course are required to be trained for the position they hold in the Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Venture program. The course will cover both New Leader Essentials and Leader Specific Training. The fee for this training is **\$4.00** per person.

Webelos Outdoor Leader Training(WLOT) is scheduled for **October 11 & 12, 2003** at Camp Nutter. The cost will be **\$15.00** per person and payment is required into the PTC Service Center by **October 8, 2003**. The fee will cover the use of the facility, cost of food and insurance for the weekend. **BALOO Training** will be held at Camp Nutter on **Saturday, October 11, 2003** starting at **9:00 AM**. The fee for this training is **\$3.00** per person.

Pre-registration is required for all courses to ensure that supplies and staff are available for all who attend.

Boy Scout Outdoor Training: Mark **October 24-26, 2003** as the date for Boy Scout Leader Course "Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills". This is the **MANDATORY** Outdoor Training course for ALL Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters. If you have taken the indoor classroom training, you must also take this outdoor course to be fully trained. The course will start on Friday night and run until Sunday afternoon and will take place at Camp Nutter. The cost of the course is **\$25.00** per person if paid into the PTC Service Center by **Monday, October 20, 2003** or **\$23.00** per person if paid at the door. The fee will cover the use of the facility, cost of food and insurance for the weekend. More information for all training courses is available on the York District website www.yorkdistrictptc.org or call George Fecteau at 439-5043.

York District Annual Business Meeting

The date for the York District Annual Business Meeting is **Thursday, November 13, 2003**. The meeting will start at **7:00 PM** and will be held at the Saco City Hall. The meeting will include the election of York District Committee Members and we will also discuss the state of our district. Your input is very important to us and we hope you will join us for this meeting. All Charter Organization Representatives, District Committee Members and District Members-at-Large should mark your calendars for this date. For more information please contact Frank Gilcreast at 797-5252 ext. 24

Unit Inventory

As a reminder, York District's Fall Unit Inventory will be held on **Wednesday, November 12, 2003**. At this time, our Unit Commissioners will be contacting **ALL** the units in York District to see if the Scouts listed in your unit matches up with the names in the Pine Tree Council Service Center. We want to make sure that **ALL** scouts are registered so their advancements, insurance coverage and Boy's Life magazines are up to date. Thanks for your help. For further information, please contact the York District Commissioner, Clint Staples at 636-1597

Friends of Scouting

Time is fast approaching for Pine Tree Council's annual Friends of Scouting (FOS) fund-raising campaign. Friends of Scouting is an annual fundraising campaign that gives Scouters, Scouts and their families and interested people in the community an opportunity to contribute to the financial support of the Council. For the convenience of Sustaining Members and Friends of Scouting, a pledge may be made and paid at specified intervals throughout the year. This fund-raising campaign helps support the Council in the following ways: camp maintenance, organizing new units, servicing existing units, maintaining service center including records, information and support staff, and support for professional staff. In 2003, York District reached its Family Goal first in the Pine Tree Council and designed the FOS Council collector shoulder strip for 2004. We hope to do the same in 2005. Please note that the 15% rebate program utilized in 2003 will be available again in 2004. To schedule your unit's Family presentation, please contact Frank Gilcreast at 797-5252 ext. 24 with your date and time.

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University of Scouting

University of Scouting 2004 *TRAINING AT IT'S BEST!*

The first **University of Scouting** is coming this March and this one day event offers exciting workshops, fellowship, and fun for all adults interested in Scouting and youth! The University debuts Saturday, March 27, at Central Maine Community College and promises to be a wonderful addition to the Pine Tree Council programs.

Exciting and informative workshops focusing on youth development, Scouting programs, outdoor activities, and unit operations will be the menu at Pine Tree Council's first University of Scouting. All Council Scouters, Scouting parents, and friends are invited to attend.

"This is going to be a tremendous continuing education event that will benefit unit leaders and committee members, parents, district committee members, and commissioners who want to learn more about how to help their Pack, Troop, Crew and Scouting!" says University President and Council Training Chairman Erland "Bud" Hedblom of Brunswick. "We have some real advantages bringing everyone together for a council-wide University and the ultimate beneficiaries are our Scouts and communities."

According to Hedblom, some of those advantages are:

- Using the best presenters for power packed presentations on numerous topics.
- Offering workshops not generally available in basic training and with more depth than at Roundtable.
- Bringing together for lively, knowledgeable discussion the wonderful volunteers that make Scouting happen all over Maine and beyond.

The University is set up in colleges covering Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Adventure Scouting, Commissioning, and General Studies. The College of Cub Scouting, also called Pow Wow, will be just the right springboard into the summer activities and the next year's programs incorporating all pertinent topics, as well as the daunting transition into Boy Scouts. The College of Boy Scouting is an exciting collection of ideas, skills and opportunities in Boy Scouting that promises to polish and challenge your Troop's performance. The College of General Studies will present in depth topics that will fill in the blanks we all find from time to time as we work the program. The College of Adventure Scouting will provide workshops on working with older youth, young men and women, in Venturing and in Boy Scouting. Additionally, there will be a midway of displays and exhibits and a fully stocked Scout Shop and Bookstore.

More information on this exciting program and how to participate will be distributed at the November Roundtables. See you in March!

Scout Days with the Portland Pirates

The Portland Pirates are teaming up with the Pine Tree Council to promote Scout Days with the Pirates. November 29, February 7, and March 6 are event dates for this season.

Game times will be 7:05 PM for the November and February games and the March game will start at 2:05. Plans are in the works for skating opportunities, giveaways, and a limited edition Pine Tree Council/Portland Pirates Hockey Puck.

Tickets will be available at the Scout office and more information will be available at the Council Service center, roundtable, and on the Pine Tree Council Web site when final details are scheduled. For more information, contact the Pine Tree Council Office at 797-5252.

Explorer/Learning for Life

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Fairfield Fire Explorer Post 400 Wins State Title!



Congratulations to the youth and advisors of Fairfield Fire Explorer Post 400 for earning the title: State Champions. This was the 10th anniversary of the State Fire Muster and Championship and the first year that Fairfield has taken home the trophy as overall champions. Explorers, advisors, parents and friends were very excited! Weeks before the muster, the Explorers had demonstrated their eagerness, energy and determination to excel. Post 400 earned 4 first place trophies, 2 second place trophies for individual competitions, and 5 team trophies.

Learning for Life would also like to acknowledge the 3 other teams that demonstrated tremendous team spirit, sportsmanship, and strong competitive instincts. They are as follows: York Fire Explorer Post 5, Paul Balentine, Advisor, Westbrook Fire Explorer Post 50, Mike Corey, Advisor, and Anson-Madison Fire Explorer Post 750, David Hayward, Advisor.

We would also like to express our appreciation to the families, friends, community members and businesses that have supported the Explorer Fire Muster and Championship over the past 10 years.

Beyond Exploring!

As I visit various Explorer Posts throughout the Northern District, I reflect on the impact that Exploring programs are making on tomorrows workforce and tomorrows communities. This past year, I learned that Anson-Madison Fire Explorer Post 750 has 3 youth members that are attending Southern Maine Community College enrolled in the Fire Science program. They also have a youth member that is a volunteer firefighter at the Starks Fire Department. Kennebec County Sheriff's Office Explorer Post 600 has an employee that was a former Explorer and two former Explorers that are now attending Thomas College as students in law enforcement. We'd like to hear from our other Posts and from Law Enforcement throughout Maine. Where are your former Explorers and who in your workforce was a former Explorer? You can contact us by calling 797-5770 or by e-mailing us at midyer@lflmail.org. We'd enjoy hearing about your Post's success in developing youth leadership.

Maine Law Enforcement Explorer Academy

During the week of June 23rd through June 27th, 2003, the Maine Law Enforcement Explorer Academy was held at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in Vassalboro. This was also

the 10th anniversary for this event. The keynote speaker at this year's academy was Attorney General G. Steven Rowe. The Academy Director, John B. Rogers also addressed the graduating class and visited with the cadre staff and cadets throughout the week. Learning for Life would like to thank State Attorney General Rowe and Academy Director Rogers for their support of the Exploring program.

We were again blessed with the leadership of the Explorer Academy Coordinator, Michael Middaugh and the team of cadre that included: Officer David Ruger, South Berwick Police Department; Officer William Moir, Brunswick Police Department; Corporal Jeremy Damren, Kennebec County Sheriff's Office; Detective-Corporal Jeffrey Shisler, Eliot Police Department, and Trooper Michael Chavez of Troop B, Maine State Police.

Introducing the 2003 Maine Law Enforcement Graduation Class!



Matthew D. Barter, Falmouth Police Explorer Post 781
Amelia L. Bragg, Knox County Law Enforcement Agencies Explorer Post 911
Holly E. Callanan, York County Sheriff's Office Explorer Post 64
Cory C. Charpentier, Monmouth Police Explorer Post 935
Sarah E. Coryell, Cumberland Police Explorer Post 44
Keith I. Davis, York County Sheriff's Office Explorer Post 64
Melissa G. Druart, Eliot Police Explorer Post 903
Katie-Rose Gergosian, Topsham Police & Fire Explorer Post 646
Crystal M. Glynn, Eliot Police Explorer Post 903
Sarah R. Groom, Portland Police Explorer Post 101
Jessica R. Mihalik, Monmouth Police Explorer Post 935
Lisa K. Moreau, York County Sheriff's Office Explorer Post 64
Asha M. Osman, Portland Police Explorer Post 101
Kristol L. Plante, Cumberland Police Explorer Post 44
Amanda L. Thompson, Eliot Police Explorer Post 903

Congratulations to you all on your successful completion of this intense educational and leadership experience. We are all very proud of you. We look forward to the leadership you will continue to demonstrate as members of your immediate community and as members of the world community!



Camping

Winter Camp 2004

During the deep snows of next February school vacation, 32 lucky Boy Scouts will be able to stay warm and cozy at the Rotary Training Center at Camp Hinds. Pine Tree Council will be hosting Winter Camp 2004 February 15th to 20th.

Winter Camp is a weeklong resident camp program for Scouts 13 years and older and at least First Class Rank. Scouts can earn merit badges, participate in outdoor winter skills, meet new friends and have fun! Planned activities include a night of snow tubing, building and sleeping in quizees (snow shelters), along with snowshoeing and cross-country skiing.



Cost for Winter Camp is \$195.00 per person and includes a night of snow tubing. Enrollment is limited to the first 32 Scouts who sign -up. Contact the Pine Tree Council at 797-5252 to sign up! For more information or to sign up for Winter Camp Staff contact Cathy Gosselin at the Pine Tree Council, 797-5252 ext. 14 or Winter Camp Director Paul Fisher at 729-6429 or email fisherwt@suscom-maine.net

~ OKPIK ~ Winter Survival Course

**OKPIK is the Indian name of the white snowy owl that lives deep in the woods!
OKPIK is also the official name of the Boy Scouts of America winter survival course.**

OKPIK participants start with learning winter survival skills, safety requirements of the outdoors, along with food and clothing basics. The camp provides complete sets of gear and clothing before the crew's head out for their overnight on cross county skis or snowshoes. Snow shelters are built and patrols settle down for a comfortable night in often sub zero weather. Can your unit handle the challenge? Everyone completing the OKPIK program will receive an official OKPIK patch!

Pine Tree Council will be offering two OKPIK options this year!

Four "traditional OKPIK" weekends offering a trained guide, all weather gear and equipment along with food and a program offering cold winter weather training and knowledge.

For Pine Tree Council Troops and Venture Crews wanting to do an OKPIK weekend with their own trained leadership, but needing some help with equipment and winter camping information, the OKPIK equipment consisting of trail sleds, outdoor clothing, snowshoes and/or cross country skis, and cooking equipment will be available to rent for use at Camp Hinds on weekends when the OKPIK traditional program is not being offered. A training guide on cold weather camping and survival will be available to use as a training resource at unit meetings to prepare for your OKPIK weekend.

The OKPIK staff invites you to join the staff for an energizing winter get-away!

2004 Traditional OKPIK DATES

OKPIK - Weekend 1	Jan. 23 - 25	OKPIK - Weekend 3	Feb. 6 - 8
OKPIK - Weekend 2	Jan. 30 - Feb. 1	OKPIK - Weekend 4	Feb. 13 - 15

Cost for the "traditional OKPIK" weekend is \$75.00 for in council Scouts and \$90.00 for out-of-council Scouts.

For Units wanting to do OKPIK under their own leadership ~

1st - Check to see what weekend cabin rentals and equipment are available.

2nd -Reserve space and equipment, an equipment rental form is available with cost outlined based on the amount of equipment needed.

3rd - Using your PTC OKPIK planning guide, organize and plan unit meetings to prepare for your OKPIK weekend including food preparation, cold weather survival techniques, equipment needs and more!

**MORE INFORMATION AND RESERVATIONS CAN BE MADE THROUGH
THE CAMPING DEPARTMENT AT PINE TREE COUNCIL 797-5252 EXT. 14.**

Camping Continued



2005 National Jamboree ~ Pine Tree Council looking for Scouts & Leaders!

The Pine Tree Council will be sending three troops to the 2005 National Jamboree. The jamboree dates will be July 20 - August 3, 2005 which includes the 10 day jamboree, travel time, three days of touring Washington D.C. and a day at a spectacular amusement park!

Scouts who are at least First Class rank and will be 12 years or older, but not yet 18, will be eligible to attend. Early estimates for total cost for youth are \$950 - \$1200 with final price to be determined by the Jamboree Committee. But don't let the price stop you - there are scholarships and fundraising opportunities available.

The National Jamboree will be held at Fort A.P. Hill in Virginia and will be attended by over 40,000 Scouts and Leaders. The Pine Tree Council contingent will travel together with volunteer Scoutmasters and promises to be a highlight of your Scouting career!

Program features reflect the skills of Scouting, our national heritage, physical fitness, environmental conservation and the true spirit of Scouting! Daily activities include archery, biathlon, buckskin games, confidence course, conservation programs, scuba, kayaking, racing shell run and raft encounters. Regional action centers with rappelling towers are truly popular, as are trap shooting, and American Indian village, and the opening and closing arena shows! It's Scouting and American history at it's very best!

More Jamboree information and applications to attend as a Scout or as a volunteer leader are available on the Pine Tree Council web site at www.pinetreebsa.org or by contacting Cathy Gosselin, P.T.C. Camping & Program Administrator at

797-5252 ext. 14 or Frank Maguire, Jamboree Chairman at 774-6055 or by email fjmjms@aol.com.

2003 Camp Season a Great Success!

Another tremendous summer of camping comes to a close as we wrap up the 2003 camp season for Pine Tree Council. Over 6,000 Scouts, leaders, parents and visitors passed through our camp gates this past summer and were greeted by great programs and dedicated staffs!

Both Camp Hinds and Bomazeen hosted Boy Scout resident camp programs with high adventure treks running out of the Bomazeen Base. Pine Tree Council would like to say thanks to the resident camps' staff and their directors for all of their hard work, leadership and commitment to our camps: Director Paul Fisher; and Adrian Caron, Program Director, at the Bomazeen Base; and Director, Matt Randall and Anne Reed, Program Director, at Camp Hinds.

In our Cub Scouting camp programs, over 2,600 cubs and parents enjoyed day camps, FunPack Weekends and Webelos resident camp this summer! Great Sea Adventures and trails to find treasures created many life long memories!

We extend our thanks to the Cub Camping leadership and their volunteers for all of their effort and commitment to bring the best camping programs forward for our Cubs!

Abnaki: Tom Morris and Mary Jane Vachon
Casco Bay: Sherry Robinson, Mary & John Trott, Bruce & Sherry Beety, Missy Bell and Tracy Murphy
Downeast: Wendy Grindle, Melissa Fortuna, Brian Murray and Tiffany Duncan
K-Valley: Bunny Wiggin, Tiffany Duncan and John Berryman
York: Lisa Winfrey, Laurie Webb and Yvette Tremblay

ATTENTION ALL CUB SCOUT PACKS!!! BOSTON MUSEUM OF SCIENCE

Spring Dates: Saturday, April 17, 2004 - 300 SLOTS Friday, April 23, 2004 - 125 SLOTS

It's time to start planning for the 2004 Camp-In Program at the Boston Museum of Science. The cost is \$42.00 per person. (Please note: The Museum will be charging a fee of \$3 per car and \$15 per bus for people parking in the Museum garage during the Camp-In.) The event is limited to Cub Scouts and Adults. **Siblings and unregistered youth cannot attend - no exceptions!** In order to provide an equal opportunity for all of our Packs to participate in the Boston Museum trip, please follow the guidelines below.

Application Procedure: Each Pack must submit a deposit of \$10 for each person who plans to attend. Please send a check made payable to Pine Tree Council along with the registration coupon found below. Phone applications **will not** be accepted.

All applications must be received at the Pine Tree Council by the end of the business day on November 13, 2003. Please do not request reservations for more slots than you actually plan to use (for those who are selected, deposits are non-refundable.) A drawing will be held on November 14th. Those who were selected from the drawing will be notified, and the remaining payment and confirmation of number of participants (cannot exceed original allotment) will be due at the Pine Tree Council by January 14, 2004, end of business day. Any reserved slots not paid in full by this date will be lost and offered to those on the waiting list (again, the initial deposit is non-refundable.) Those Packs not selected will also be notified and deposits will be returned.

Once participants are confirmed, the Pine Tree Council is required to pay for those spaces. It is the policy of the Boston Museum of Science not to grant refunds to anyone who does not participate in the Camp-In, unless the MUSEUM cancels the event.

This program provides the youth with a wonderful learning experience in science. Don't delay - Start planning today! Call Jo at 797-5252 for more information.

Boston Museum of Science Drawing

Mail to: Pine Tree Council, 125 Auburn Street, Portland, ME 04103

Contact Name _____ Day Phone # _____ Pack # _____ 1st Choice Date _____
Address _____ Town, State & Zip _____ 2nd Choice Date _____
#Scouts _____ #Adults x \$10 = _____ Enclosed

PINE TREE COUNCIL 2004 SKI DAY TRIPS AND WEEKEND GET-AWAYS

The winter months are fast approaching and that means it is almost time to hit the slopes! The Pine Tree Council is happy to announce that we will be offering the ever-popular Ski Day trips with Sugarloaf USA, Sunday River and Shawnee Peak for the year 2004. We are also offering various weekend get-away packages for both Sugarloaf U.S.A. and Sunday River. All packages will include discounted ski passes, ski and snowboard lessons, and equipment rentals. Take advantage of these greatly reduced prices and avoid those long ticket lines. We look forward to seeing all of you out on the slopes!

The ski dates for the year 2004 are as follows:

One Day Ski Trips:

Sugarloaf U.S.A.	Sunday, February 8, 2004	Make-up date- Sunday, March 21, 2004
Sunday River	Sunday, January 4, 2004	Make-up date- Sunday, January 18, 2004
Shawnee Peak	Monday, January 19, 2004	Make-up date- Sunday, March 14, 2004
	Saturday, March 7, 2004	Make-up date- Sunday, March 14, 2004

Note: Please look for the mailer we will be sending to every Scout, which will include dates, prices, and more specific information. If you have any additional questions, please contact the Pine Tree Council at 797-5252.

Weekend Get-Away Information:



Sunday River Ski Resort: The following packages include lift ticket, lodging, taxes and gratuity. Lodging is based on maximum occupancy. The group leader will receive one complimentary package including lift ticket, lodging, taxes and gratuity for every 20 paid guests. Junior ages 6-12; Adult ages 13-64; seniors ages 65+. Rates are subject to change without notice until initial deposit has been received.

Choose from 3 Lodging Properties:

Condominiums - Sunday River has over 700 slopeside condominiums ranging in size from studios to 2 bedrooms. All units feature a full kitchen, cable TV with VCR, heated pool, common area and ski storage.

Snow Cap Inn - A traditional New England style inn. Each room has two queen-size beds and a private bath. There are two fireside lounges where guests can relax after a day of skiing. Amenities include a hot tub and exercise room. The Snow Cap Inn is within walking distance of the lifts and is continuously serviced by our on-mountain trolley.

Snow Cap Ski Dormitory - The only on-mountain group facility of its kind in New England. Featuring four wings, each providing lodging for 47 people. Each wing features five 8-person rooms with two baths; two 5-person rooms with single bath; and 1 single room with private bath. Pricing includes two breakfasts and one dinner!

Value Weekends Include:

December 12-14, 2003

Condos -\$119 per Adult
 \$99 per Junior/Senior
 Inn - \$119 per Adult
 \$99 per Junior/Senior
 Dorm - \$100 per Adult/Junior/Senior
 (Dorm rate based on a group size of 41-50 guests)

Select Weekends Include:

December 19-21, 2003
 January 23-25, 2004
 February 20-22, 2004 (Dormitory Only)
 March 5-7, 2004 (Condo and Inn Only)

Condos -\$169 per Adult
 \$149 per Junior/Senior
 Inn - \$189 per Adult
 \$169 per Junior/Senior
 Dorm - \$150 per Adult/Junior/Senior
 (Dorm rate based on a group size of 41-50 guests)



Sugarloaf/USA Ski Resort: The following packages include lift ticket, lodging, Sugarloaf Sports Club, taxes & service fees. Lodging is based on maximum occupancy. The group leader will receive one complimentary package including lodging lift ticket, sports club use for every 20 paid guests. Juniors ages 6-12; Adults 13-65, Seniors 65+. Rates are subject to change without notice until initial deposit has been received.

Choose from 2 Lodging Properties:

Whether you just need a no-frills room to crash for the night or prefer a slopeside penthouse complete with a hot tub and fireplace, Sugarloaf has it. Plus, no matter what the room, Sugarloaf throws in free health club or hotel health club access.

Sugarloaf Condominiums - Sugarloaf offer over 900 slopeside condominiums ranging in size from studios to 5 bedroom units. Each condominium complex offers a unique lodging experience within walking distance of the trails or ski lifts.

Sugarloaf Inn - A mountain-style Inn located right on the Birches Trail for ski-in/ski-out convenience. The Sugarloaf Inn is also home to the Seasons Restaurant and the Shipyard Brewhaus.

Value Weekends Include:

December 5-7, 2003

Blues Fest/Demo Days
 Condos -\$99 per Adult
 \$99 per Junior/Senior
 Inn - \$128 per Adult
 \$128 per Junior/Senior

Select Weekends Include:

January 9-11, 2004
 March 19-21, 2004

Condos -\$148 per Adult
 \$138 per Junior/Senior
 Inn - \$184 per Adult
 \$174 per Junior/Senior

Training at a Glance



Fall Dates

September

13	Exploring	Adult Leader Training
27	Downeast	New Leader Essentials/Cub Leader Specific

October

4	Downeast	Cub/Boy Scout Basic Leader Essential + Troop Committee Challenge & Cub Leader Specific
4	Downeast	Webelos Leader Outdoor Training
4	York	Cub/Boy Scout Basic Leader Essential + Troop Committee Challenge & Cub Leader Specific
11	Casco Bay	Cub/Boy Scout Basic Leader Essential + Troop Committee Challenge
11	York	Webelos Leader Outdoor Training
11	K Valley	Cub/Boy Scout Basic Leader Essential + Troop Committee Challenge & Cub Leader Specific
13 & 20	Downeast	New Leader Essentials and Cub Leader Specific Training
18	Casco Bay	Webelos Leader Outdoor Training
18	Abnaki	Webelos Leader Outdoor Training
18	Abnaki	BALOO Training
18	Downeast	New Leader Essentials and Cub Leader Specific Training
22 & 29	Abnaki	Cub/Boy Scout Basic Leader Essential *Must attend both nights
24-26	Casco Bay/York	Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (Scoutmaster and Asst. Scoutmasters Outdoor Training)
24-26	Downeast	Outdoor Leader Skills
26	Downeast	Webelos Leader Outdoor Training

November

1	Abnaki	
8	Casco Bay	Cub/Boy Scout Basic Leader Essential + Troop Committee Challenge
10	Exploring	Adult Leader Training
13	Downeast	Cub/Boy Scout Basic Leader Essential *Must attend both nights
15	Casco Bay	Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Training
15	K-Valley	Webelos Leader Outdoor Training
20	Downeast	Cub/Boy Scout Basic Leader Essential *Must attend both nights

Training is required within the first 6 months of becoming a registered leader in the Pine Tree Council. Please make arrangements for adults to attend a training course.

If you have questions about the appropriate training needed for your leaders, contact your District Executive at 797-5252 and use the extension listed below:

Abnaki	ext. 33	Casco Bay	ext. 23	Downeast	ext. 28
K-Valley	ext. 27	York	ext. 24	Exploring	797-5770

CORRECTION: PINE TREE COUNCIL SCOUT SHOP HOURS OF OPERATION INCORRECT IN THE LAST ISSUE OF PINE SPILLS

We are pleased to announce that the Pine Tree Council Scout Shop WILL BE open on November 29th, the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

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Saturday: 10 A.M. - 2 P.M. • Closed Sunday



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Oct. - Nov. - Dec. Pine Tree Council Calendar

Abnaki

October

- 3-5 Fall Camporee
- 7 District Committee Meeting
- 8 Roundtable/OA Meeting
- 18 WLOT (and possible BALOO training)
- 22 & 29 Basic Leader Essentials & Cub Leader Specific Training
- 29 District Commissioner Meeting

November

- 1 BALOO (and tentatively scheduled WLOT if prior combo works)
- 4 District Annual Business Dinner & Recognition Event
- 8 Popcorn Distribution at Federal Distributors
- 12 Roundtable/OA Meeting
- 26 District Commissioner Meeting

December

- 2 District Committee Meeting
- 10 Roundtable/OA Meeting - Re-charter Clinic
- 15 All Re-charters are due to Council Service Ctr

Casco Bay

October

- 1 Roundtable/OA
- 1 District Commissioner Meeting
- 8 District Committee Meeting
- 11 CBLT & BSLT/Troop Committee Challenge
- 17-19 Fall Camporee
- 18 WLOT
- 24-26 Greenwood Ranger Training

November

- 5 Roundtable/OA
- 5 District Commissioner Meeting
- 8 CBLT & BSLT/Troop Committee Challenge
- 12 Annual Business Meeting
- 15 Scoutmaster and Assistant SM training

December

- 3 Roundtable/OA
- 3 District Commissioner Meeting
- 10 District Committee Meeting

Downeast

October

- 1 District Committee Meeting
- 4 Cub Rally, Camp Knickerbocker
- 4 WLOT, Camp Knickerbocker
- 4 New Leader Essentials, Boy Scout Leader Specific Training
- 8 Roundtable/OA
- 12 District Commissioner Meeting
- 18 New Leader Essentials/ Cub Leader Specific
- 24-26 Intro to Outdoor Leader Skills

November

- 5 District Committee Mtg
- 9 District Commissioner Mtg
- 12 Roundtable/OA
- 13 New Leader Essentials/ Cub Leader Specific - 1st Session

- 20 New Leader Essentials/ Cub Leader Specific - 2nd Session (must attend both sessions)

December

- 3 District Committee Mtg
- 10 Roundtable/OA
- 14 Commissioner Mtg

K-Valley

October

- 8 Roundtable/Order of the Arrow- Winslow Junior High
- 21 Roundtable- Strong
- 29 Eagle Board of Review- Roberts Learning Center, UMF Farmington @ 9 PM

November

- 12 Roundtable/Order of the Arrow- Winslow Junior High
- 18 Roundtable- Strong
- 20 Eagle Board of Review- E-Pro in Augusta@9 PM

December

- 10 Roundtable/Order of the Arrow- Winslow Junior High
- 16 Roundtable- Strong
- 17 Eagle Board of Review- Roberts Learning Center, UMF Farmington @ 9 PM

York

October

- 1 District Commissioner Meeting
- 2 Roundtable / OA at the Sanford High School Pick up Bags for Scouting for Food
- 4 New Leaders Essentials/Leader Specific Training for all Scouting Programs at the Saco City Hall
- 9 District Committee Mtg at the Saco City Hall
- 11-12 Webelos Leader Outdoor Training (WLOT) at Camp Nutter
- 11 BALOO Training at Camp Nutter
- 17-19 York District Fall Camporee in Shapleigh, ME
- 24-26 Boy Scout Leader - Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills at Camp Nutter
- 25 Scouting for Food Bag Distribution

November

- 1 Pick up bags for Scouting for Food and bring to local Food Pantries
- 5 District Commissioner Meeting
- 6 Roundtable / OA at the Sanford High School
- 8 Popcorn Pick-up @ Hussey Seating North Berwick 8:00 - 11:00 AM
- 12 York District Unit Inventory
- 13 District Committee / Annual Business Meeting at the Saco City Hall

December

- 5 District Commissioner Meeting
- 6 Roundtable / OA at the Sanford High School
- 11 District Committee Meeting at the Saco City Hall

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