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Greetings Commissioners,

I want to thank all of the district commissioners and their commissioning staffs for another great year of service to the many scouting units within Pine Tree Council. For the past couple of months along with our service teams, the District Commissioners have been actively working at recruiting new and additional Unit Commissioners. This has been a large project with the end goal of having more Unit Commissioners in each district to better serve all of our units, while reducing the workload on each individual commissioner. We have been successful in adding more commissioners to each district, but are still in the active search mode to identify and recruit even more commissioners. If you are a scouter with a desire to assist in bringing a quality program to your unit in our Council, please contact your District Commissioner and discuss the possibility of registering as a Unit Commissioner. It is one of the jobs in scouting that can actually be accomplished in the proverbial one hour a week. (Or at least close to it!) Commissioning is one of the most satisfying jobs at the district level. It gives you the opportunity to be a friend and guide to the units on a one to one basis. The team of a great unit along with an active commissioner is the roadmap to a Centennial Quality Unit, which will result in the Promise of Scouting being delivered to many more youth in Pine Tree Council. Remember commissioners, just because many of our units suspend weekly meetings for the summer doesn’t mean that our jobs are suspended for the summer. Summer is probably the best time of year for us to see our units in action. You can reach many of them while they are at Day Camp, Fun Pack Weekends, or long term Webelos and Boy Scout Camp. It is a great time to get to know units, leaders, parents and scouts better and in a great scouting setting. Please plan on visiting your units during their time in camp.

K-Valley district “Spring Rendevous” was recently held in Rangely. The registration deadline has been extended to 1 week, and immediate. The cost for the entire week is $250.00. If you are just finding out about this event and have a son interested, please give us a call and we will make such a program available in that community. If you have a son or daughter in high school, we would like to know what their career interests are. Give us a call at 797-5770 or email us at midyer@lflmail.org. We are looking for people who want to help out with the learning for life Law Enforcement Academy. Students from throughout the State of Maine have been invited to register. This is an excellent school-to-careers educational experience for high school students interested in pursuing careers in law enforcement or military service. State Trooper Michael Chavez, who has been a cadet at the adult academy, coordinates this youth academy. If you are just finding out about this event and have a son or daughter in high school that may be interested in attending this academy, please give us a call immediately. The cost for the week is $250.00. The registration deadline has been extended to 1 June to accommodate last minute requests. Contact Michael Dyer at midyer@lftmail.org or by calling 797-51/53 to request an application and inquire about the availability of accommodations.

Yours in Scouting
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Exploring/LFL District News

Inquire about Roundtable and in the Beacon. All Cub Masters, Committee Chairs, and Unit Membership Chairs should start thinking about Fall sign-ups. It will be that time of year to welcome the new Cub Scouts into our packs. If you have your sign up night scheduled, please email Steve Saucier at ssaucier@bsamail.org with your date, time, location, and contact person.

Exploring/LEFL News

2008 EXPLORE LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY

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4TH ANNUAL LEARNING FOR LIFE GOLF TOURNAMENT AT PROUTS NECK

On Tuesday, September 23rd Learning for Life is conducting its 4th Annual Golf Tournament at Prouts Neck Country Club in Scarborough. The cost for a foursome at this tournament is $500.00. Proceeds from this tournament directly support Scarborough Police Explorers and the Learning for Life district. Applications can be obtained by contacting Michael Dyer at midyer@lftmail.org or by calling 797-51/53. Prouts Neck is a privately owned golf club with a wonderful view of the coastline. We welcome inquiries and applications.

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**CASCO BAY DISTRICT NEWS**

**RACE TO SCOUTING 2008**

This year’s race to Scouting is going to be held in the months of September and October. Please note that this year units are being asked to hold their Race to Scouting events at Pack meetings. School Night sign ups are still encouraged, but many units are reporting good success with Pack Meeting sign ups. Please have your 2008 Race to Cub Scouting information to Tony during the month of July in order to get materials printed and delivered for your September events. For more information, please contact Tony Bessey at 797-5252 ext. 23 or tony@bsamail.org.

**K-VALLEY DISTRICT NEWS**

**FALL CAMPOREE**

Mark your calendars now for the weekend of September 26th -28, 2008. The Kennebec Fall District Camroee will once again head to the Saltwater of Maine - Jackman. Pack your gear and be prepared to learn “What you need to know to get you through your NEXT 100 years of Scouting.”

Camproee Chairperson, Alan Duplessis, and his committee have been working very hard to prepare a weekend full of fun and learning for the Troops. Troop 497 looks forward to playing host to Scouts from all over the Kennebec Valley and Pine Tree Council and possibly a couple of Guest Troops from Canada, which would qualify it as an International Camroee.

Further information will be posted when available to the KV-Scouts.org website and will soon be available at Roundtables.

If you want more information, you may contact Andrew Booth, Assistant Scoutmaster, Troop 497 @ 207-668-7713 or Karla Talpey, Scoutmaster, Troop 497 @ 668-4420 or k talpey@verizon.net. See you all on the fields of Attican in September!

**SCOUTING FOR FOOD**

This year’s Scouting for Food effort will be taking place during November. This fall we will be handing out flyers that can be hung on door handles explaining the food drive. The recommended day for distributing the flyers is Saturday, November 1st and the official day for pick up is Saturday, November 15th.

Please contact K-Valley Scouting for Food Chair Karla Talpey at 668-4420 or k talpey@verizon.net to confirm your unit’s participation and to give her your unit’s contact person for Scouting for Food.

**TRIBUTE GIFTS**

Given in memory of Richard Stacy, a long time Boy Scout Volunteer from York District.

Tony & Cindy Rogers

Given in honor of the birth of Morgen Randall.

St. Joseph Hospital in Nashua, NH

Edward & Joan Chamberlain

Tony & Cindy Rogers

Tribute Gifts, unless otherwise designated, are placed in the council’s endowment fund as a perpetual source of support for Scouting in Pine Tree Council.

**PTC announces Silver Beaver Recipients**

The Pine Tree Council takes great pleasure in introducing the recipients of the Silver Beaver award for 2008. The Silver Beaver award represents the highest award that a Boy Scout Council may present to a volunteer. The Pine Tree Council’s Silver Beaver Committee, which is comprised of past recipients of the award from throughout the council, selects the award recipients each year based on the applications that are submitted.

These volunteers have invested countless hours of service at the unit, district and council level and have been extremely active in activities and affiliations outside of Scouting. We thank you, not only for your service to us, but also for your service to the communities each of you represent.

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CAMP HINDS BOY SCOUT
2008 DATES & PROGRAMS

Join us at Camp Hinds for the best in Boy Scout resident camping! Camp Hinds, now in its 82nd year, will have special activities and events awaiting you.

NEW this year, we are offering SCUBA weeks with PADI certification and a second week of Trail to Eagle! You can also try your hand at geocaching, high adventure treks, climbing and COPE, sailing, night hiking, camping with your patrol on our island in Little Sebago Lake, and more! Don’t miss out on camp! Sign up with your Scoutmaster to attend with your troop or come as a provisional camper for a second week of camp!!!

WEEK 1 June 29 – July 4
· Traditional Summer Camp for Troops & Provisional Scouts
· Trail To Eagle Advancement Week

WEEKS 2 July 6 – 13
· Traditional Summer Camp for Troops & Provisional Scouts
· BSA Lifeguard
· CIT Session 1: For 3 weeks running Weeks 2-4
· High Adventure Trek Programs

WEEKS 3 July 13 – 18
· Traditional Summer Camp for Troops & Provisional Scouts
· High Adventure Trek Programs
· CIT Session 1: For 3 weeks running Weeks 2-4
· NEW – SCUBA Week with PADI Certification

WEEK 4 July 20 – 25 Closed to New Unit Reservations-Provo Open
· Traditional Summer Camp for Troops & Provisional Scouts
· BSA Lifeguard
· CIT Session 1: For 3 weeks running Weeks 2-4
· High Adventure Trek Programs

WEEK 5 July 27 – August 1 Closed to New Unit Reservations-Provo Open
· Traditional Summer Camp for Troops & Provisional Scouts
· CIT Session 2: For 3 weeks running Weeks 5-7
· High Adventure Trek Programs
· NEW – SCUBA Week with PADI Certification

WEEK 6 August 6 – 8
· Traditional Summer Camp for Troops & Provisional Scouts
· BSA Lifeguard
· CIT Session 2: For 3 weeks running Weeks 5-7
· High Adventure Trek Programs
· Trail to Eagle Advancement Week

More camp information and registration forms are included in the 2008 Camp Hinds Leaders Guide, on our web site, or by calling PTC at 797-5252 ext. 14.

POPCORN TIME AGAIN
Calling all unit Popcorn Kernels, mark Sunday, August 10, 2008 at Camp Nutter as the date for York District’s Popcorn Kick-Off. A Family Barbecue has been planned with a few surprises. This is a Free Event. Please register before Wednesday, August 6, 2008 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.

RACE INTO SCOUTING:
Race Into Scouting will be coming up quick in September to sign up new youth into our Scouting Program. Please get your sign-up date, location, time and contact information into the Frank Gilcreast for your unit by September 7 Roundtable or sooner. Thank you for your help.

2008 CAMPER FEES:
$260.00 per week for PTC Scouts
$290.00 per week for Out of Council Scouts
Add $25.00 for use of Ann as a Provisional Camper
$300 per week for High Adventure Treks
*Additional fees will apply for SCUBA

DISCOUNTS: EARLY BIRD:
Deduct $20.00 from above fee if total camp fee is paid in full by June 1st, 2008.

FRIENDS OF SCOUTING
THANK YOU all of you York District Packs, Troops and Scouting Families that participated in the Friends of Scouting (FOS) campaign this year. Through the generosity of the Scouting Families in York District the money raised 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 all to the volunteers who gave their time and talent in giving presentations to the units in York District.

YORK DISTRICT CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP 2008:
Mark July 7 - 11 and July 14 – 18 on your calendars as the dates for the York District Cub Scout Day Camp at Camp Nutter in Acton, ME. The theme for 2008 is “Super Heroes”. In 2007, 160 Cub Scouts and more than 60 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 safe environment with 100 other Scouts?

To make sure we have another successful Day Camp season, we can always use volunteers to help run our program and they do not have to be current leaders to help out. Parents are welcome to participate as Day Camp Leaders. If you help with day camp, your scout’s fee will be reduced for the first scout. It’s a great deal, if you may even have some fun while you help out. For more information, please contact our Day Camp Director Diana Vermette at 224-2582 or 4vermette@comcast.net.

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It’s hard to believe that it has already been about six months in this new role and yet, so much has happened. We have two Sea Scout Ships weighing anchor, several new complimentary Units taking shape, an expanded District Committee, a new level of cooperation and collaboration among Units for District events, and we are heading into a record-breaking camping season. Every day presents a new challenge, and every day the Scouts and Scouters of Abnaki District rise to the occasion. It is truly an honor to serve with all of you, and I count myself fortunate to have such a large Scouting family.

One event after another has added to the momentum: the Klondike Derby, University of Scouting, Pinewood Derby, Spring Camporee, Tiger Day. We are wrapping up a great Friends of Scouting Campaign, and very soon we will have our Popcorn Kick-off and Program Launch. Not to mention all the great local events that we have been honored to attend: Pinewoods, Blue & Golds, Courts of Honor, the Cubmobile race, Crossovers, and Eagle Ceremonies. You have all been gracious hosts, and patient patrons of Scouting procedure. There is much to be grateful for.

Thank you, and as always it is a pleasure to serve with you.

Sincerely,

Scout Verrill

COMMISSIONER STAFF (CSM)

Thank you for recruiting new members onto the Abnaki District Commissioner Staff. Our year-end goal is for every Unit to have an active Unit Commissioner who is effectively communicating with and serving a maximum of 3 Units. The Staff Commissioner who is effectively communicating with and serving a maximum of 3 Units. The Staff Commissioner please contact Clyde Cavender
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Earn your Cub Scout Activity Award

Tiger Cubs, Wolf and Bear Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts have the opportunity to earn the Cub Scout Activity Award. Boys may earn the award in each of the program years as long as the requirements are completed each year. The first time the award is earned, the boys receive the pocket flap award, which is to be sewn in the right pocket of the uniform shirt. Each successive time the award is earned, a wolf track pin may be added to the flap. Leaders are encouraged to build on skills and experiences from previous years when working for the award for a successive year.

Requirements for the Award

All Ranks

Attend Cub Scout day camp or Cub Scout/ Webelos Scout resident camp.

Rank-Specific

- Tiger Cubs. Complete one requirement in Achievement 5, “Let’s Go Outdoors” (Tiger Cub Handbook) and complete three of the outdoor activities listed below.
- Wolf Cub Scouts. Assemble the “Six Essentials for Going Outdoors” (Wolf Handbook, Elective 23b) and discuss their purpose, and complete four of the outdoor activities listed below.
- Bear Cub Scouts. Earn the Cub Scout Leave No Trace Award (Bear Handbook, Elective 25b) and complete five of the outdoor activities listed below.
- Webelos Scouts. Earn the Outdoorsman Activity Badge (Webelos Handbook), and complete six of the outdoor activities listed below.

Outdoor Activities: With your den, pack, or family:

1. Participate in a nature hike in your local area. This can be on an organized, marked trail, or just a hike to observe nature in your area.
2. Participate in an outdoor activity such as a picnic or park fun day.
3. Explain the buddy system and tell what to do if lost. Explain the importance of cooperation.
4. Attend a pack or group meeting. Be responsible by being prepared for the event.
5. Complete an outdoor service project in your community.
6. Complete a nature/conservation project in your area. This project should involve improving, beautifying, or protecting natural habitats. Discuss how this project helped you to respect nature.
7. Earn the Summertime Pack Award.
8. Participate in a nature observation activity. Describe or illustrate and display your observations at a den or pack meeting.
9. Participate in an outdoor aquatic activity. This can be an organized swim meet or just a den or pack swim.
10. Participate in an outdoor campfire program. Perform in a skit, sing a song, or take part in a ceremony.
11. Participate in an outdoor sporting event.
12. Participate in an outdoor program – your Scout’s Own or other worship service.
13. Explore a local city, county, state, or national park. Discuss with your den how a good citizen obeys the park rules.

2010 National Scout Jamboree is coming

The 2010 National Scout Jamboree, which will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, is coming soon! The jamboree will provide many unique opportunities for youth and leaders who participate. The jamboree will be a mountaintop experience with lasting memories of participation in a national signature event!

The 2010 National Scout Jamboree will be held Monday, July 26, through Wednesday, August 4, 2010, at Fort A.P. Hill, Caroline County, Virginia. Located in the historic area of Washington, D.C., the Pine Tree Council will be sending four troops of Boy Scouts with adult leaders to this event! As a council, we will plan additional activities prior to the Jamboree which will include touring Washington D.C. and a day at an amusement park in Virginia.

Applications for Boy Scouts wanting to attend will be done online starting in August. The final price will be determined by the PTC Jamboree Committee and will depend on other activities planned and transportation and lodging costs. Leaders who are interested in applying for a troop leader position with the PTC troops should contact Cathy Goscelin, PTC Jamboree Staff Advisor, at cgoscel@bsaitem.org to receive information on the outdoor skills they will need in working with Webelos Scouts. Required by Webelos leaders before they can take their den camping.

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills: This course is a hands-on training program to give adult leaders the practical outdoor skills they need to lead Scouts in the outdoors. Imagine having hands-on knowledge about setting up a campsite, pitching a tent, hiking, outdoor cooking - all the skills necessary to see the outdoor program of the Boy Scouts of America come to life.

- Permission Slips – suggested for every activity outside of regular meetings.
- Tour Permits – needed for an overnight, water activity or when traveling 100 miles or more.
- Required for adults taking youth on water or boating activities.

Keeping the ‘Outing in Scouting’

Youth join Scouting for the outdoor experience! Is your unit doing best yet using the “Outing In Scouting”? Here are some helpful hints to assist you in planning your outings.

Who goes camping?

All ages of Scouts, but keep your activities age appropriate, progressive and inline with the BSA policies. Need some ideas on where to go – check out “Turtle Treks” a Guide to Where to Go in Maine, sponsored by the Order of the Arrow on the OA web site at www.ptsroeba.org

Cub Scout Activities Should -

- Keep activity screen-oriented or family oriented.
- Make sure activity has adult supervision.
- Cub Scouts are only asked to “do their best” – Activity done basis.

Suggested Activities for Cub Scouts:

- Good morning and overnight camping with families, visit an animal park, camp overnight at a State Park, plan a day fun event, attend a local sports game, rent a cabin at a camp, go slid- ing, skiing or swimming in water! Make sure your unit intends a FunPack Weekend! Earn the National Summertime Pack Award, march in a parade! Go to Day Camp! Webelos can attend Resi- dent Camp, visit the Scout Troop, and go on a troop camping trip when invited!

Boy Scout Camping Activities Should Be:

- Led by youth with approval and supervision by adults.
- Patrol or Troop oriented.
- Meet Standard and Advancement Requirements.
- Activities are Experienced Based.

Some Suggestions for Boy Scouts:

- Attend district and council camporees, hike in the White Moun- tains, go backpacking, do a map and compass orienteering course.
- Participate in a sea or land safari at LL Beans, and schedule a Basic Scout Skills camping weekend! Go rock climbing at a lo- cal center, camp at Baxter State Park, work on Astronomy merit badge and adventure camp as a troop.
- Attend a National or World Jamboree the possibilities are endless, see your local council.

Venturing and Varsity Scouting Activities Should be:

- Led by youth and supported by adults.
- Youth develop plan and set activities to meet their own challenges.
- Activities are socially based with coed participation.

Some Venturing / Varsity / Older Scouts - High Adventure Activities:

Check out the Florida Sea Base, Philmont or Northern Tier National BSA camps, plan a car/potluck 50 miler canoe or sea kayaking trip.

Some Boy Scout camping activities include: an OKPIK weekend, attend a survival camp, backpack and hike a section of the Appalachian Trail, climb Mt. Washington, go downhill skiing for a weekend, rent a cabin at camp and relax for a weekend!

Some Camping Awards available for Units:

- Cub Scout Packs can earn the National Summertime Pack Award by planning and conducting two or more successful activities during the summer. Use a FunPack Weekend for one event! Packs can earn a certificate, Pack Streamer, den ribbons and individual Sum- mertime Award pins.
- PTC camping Award – Camp A or 4 of the PTC Camps dur- ing a 3 month consecutive period. Each unit must receive streamer, merit- er and certificate and a special patch is available for qualifying members.

- Earn the National Camping Award – Record all troop-camp- ing in “Our Camping Log” to earn yearly awards or Cumulative Awards for camping 100 nights and more.

Information available on the Pine Tree Council web site at www.pinetreebsa.org or through your D.E. at PTC

BE PREPARED FOR SAFE SCOUTING

To help plan, carry out and ensure the safety of our Scouts, leaders and parents in Scouting activities, all units need to be aware of the policies and guidelines of the Boy Scouts of Ameri- ca.

Some things to keep in mind when planning an activity:

- Age Appropriate Activities – Are your scouts ready for the ac- tivity planned?
- Your Permits – needed for an overnight, water activity or when traveling 100 miles or more.
- Permission Slips – suggested for every activity outside of regu- lar meetings.
- Communications – are you able to communicate with at least one parent back home?
- Do you have local emergency numbers with you and directions to your site?
- First Aid – do you have a properly stocked first aid kit and a trained first aid leader.
- Weather – what precautions have you taken for the changing Maine weather?
- Plan B – always have a plan B in case your best-laid plans don’t work!

Resources & Trainings available to units include:

- Scouting Safety…Begins with Leadership – An interactive course for leaders teaching the safety practices and features the Guide to Safe Scouting. Units, schedule presenta- tions by calling PTC at 977-2525 ext. 14.
- BSA – Basic Adult Outdoor Orientation: This training provides a hands-on learning experience designed to give leaders the outdoor skills and planning techniques they need to conduct age-appropriate parent-son overnight camping with their packs. At least one leader must have BAILOO in order to take the Pack camping!
- Webelos Leaders Outdoor Training (WLOIT): A session that is conducted in an outdoor setting where Webelos Den Leaders will receive information on the outdoor skills they will need in working with Webelos Scouts. Required by Webelos leaders before they can take their den camping.
- Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills: This course is a hands- on training program to give adult leaders the practical outdoor skills they need to lead Scouts in the outdoors. Imagine having hands-on knowledge about setting up a campsite, pitching a tent, hiking, outdoor cooking - all the skills necessary to see the outdoor program of the Boy Scouts of America come to life.
- Trek Safety – training for leaders to help ensure safe trekking for high adventure activities
- Safe Swim & Safety Awareness – training for leaders and youth. Required for adults taking youth on water or boating activities.
- Winter Camping – see the OKPIK Cold Weather Camping book for more winter training.
- Youth Protection – Required for all PTC Scout leaders – online training available on the PTC web site www.pinetreebsa.org

Watch for more National Jamboree information on our website at www.pinetreebsa.org!

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Pine Spills
Fall Popcorn Campaign — 2008

This year we have added a few new incentives in order to make your fall popcorn campaign a success. Your unit will begin the campaign with the usual 32% base commission. This will grow up to 33% as long as you accomplish the following three benchmarks:

- Have a leader of the unit attend a Popcorn Training (the best opportunity will be at the three council trainings — held in the Vineyard Church in Lewiston area on June 10th, the PTC offices in the Portland area on June 11th, and the Latter Day Saints Church in Waterville on June 12th. All trainings will be held at 7 pm).
- Submit your Order On-Line.
- Pay your Bill On Time.

You will also receive other benefits and alterations to your commission percentages that will be explained at the trainings and in the Popcorn Kernel Guides for 2008.

Other programs to be aware of this year include:

- Best Popcorn Themed Photo Contest. Submit the best popcorn themed photo to us, we will then submit it to Trails End. The winning photograph will be on the 2009 11 oz Caramel Corn

- The Best Way to Improve the Council Sale Contest. Units have until June 30th to come up with the best way to improve our council popcorn sale. The winners will receive Free Home Delivery and a 15% increase to their base commission.

- The Best Kick Off Video Contest. Units that film their Kick Off events/meetings at their unit level may submit these to the Pine Tree Council, who will then submit them to Trails End. If your video is picked as the winner by Trails End you will receive Free Home Delivery of your product for the rest of the year.

The winning scout or leader will have their unit receive Free Home Delivery of their product for the sale.

The Fall Popcorn sale is poised to be a fun and profitable event. We look forward to working with each of you in order to help your unit make as much money as possible so that you can have as much fun as possible for the rest of the year.

Spring Popcorn Sale

Through hard work and dedication, 38 scouts from the Pine Tree Council sold popcorn in order to help raise monies for their 2008 camping fees. A number of these scouts sold enough popcorn to PAY for their entire week at camp this summer.

The way this sale works is that it is family driven, not unit driven. Families pick up the product. Families make the sales. Families collect the monies. Families pay the bill for the product. Families keep the profits (10% straight commission) in the form of a voucher — good for use at any Pine Tree Council camp. This secondary sale is a wonderful way to provide a tool so that every scout in the Pine Tree Council has the potential to earn the funds needed for an adventure at camp. We will be holding this sale again in 2009, for Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Ventures, and Explorers — to be on the look out for information and details this fall in order to prepare to take advantage of this opportunity for your scouts.

The Pine Tree Council has developed a way for every scout leader, parent, and family member to easily make a gift of support to the council’s endowment fund. A coupon-like booklet serves as a convenient reminder for the opportunities you have to make meaningful gifts in memory or honor of others. A completed Tribute form, enclosed with the booklet serves as a convenient reminder for the opportunities you have to make meaningful gifts in memory or honor of others. A completed Tribute form, enclosed with the booklet serves as a convenient reminder for the opportunities you have to make meaningful gifts in memory or honor of others. A completed Tribute form, enclosed with the booklet serves as a convenient reminder for the opportunities you have to make meaningful gifts in memory or honor of others. A completed Tribute form, enclosed with the booklet serves as a convenient reminder for the opportunities you have to make meaningful gifts in memory or honor of others. 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SPECIAL EVENTS

Funtown / Splashtown U.S.A.
Attention All Scout and Scouting Families!

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 enjoy the fun and live stage shows. Come and ride the new additions to the park. The prices for the 2008 season are as follows:

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The tickets will be available for sale at the Pine Tree Council Service Center May 1 through August 29, 2008. As with last year’s tickets sale, these tickets can be used anytime during the 2008 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.

DON’T MISS HAT NIGHTS WITH THE PORTLAND SEA DOGS AND THE PINE TREE COUNCIL

This year we have two exciting opportunities for Scouts and Scouters of the Pine Tree Council to get a one of a kind, custom Portland Sea Dog’s Baseball Cap with an embroidered Boy Scout Logo. Tickets will be available to the first 1,000 scouts, scouts, adults and family members who buy tickets. This years ticket price includes the following: 1 meal (hot dog, Sea Dog Biscuit & soda) value $8.50, 1 General Admission game ticket (adults 7.50) & Youth 4.50 and a Limited Edition Collector’s Portland Sea Dog Baseball Cap valued at $20.00. That is a $36.00 package including dinner, game and hat for bargain price of $20.00 per person.

Each youth must be supervised by an adult, guardian, or Scout Leader. Tickets are available ONLY through the Pine Tree Council Service Center. There is no rain date for this event. In the event the Sea Dogs game is officially postponed due to the Oregon Ducks game and we will get back to the ticket holders. In any other case you must be at the game to get your hat and use your tickets and food vouchers. If you have questions, please call 207-797-5252 ext 10. There are a limited number of tickets for these events and they are also available on a first come basis only! Sign up now!

SCHEDULE

Reg. Must be received by July 25th
 hữu tickets are still available)
Date for this event is August 1st!

Reg. Must be received by August 22nd
If tickets are still available)
Date for this event is August 30th!

SEA DOGS TICKET REGISTRATION FORM

Please mail form to: Pine Tree Council, 131 Johnson Road, Portland, ME 04102 • PHONE ORDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!

Name ____________________________
Address ____________________________
Phone ____________________________
City ____________________________
State ____________________________
Zip Code ____________________________

Pack# ______ Troop# ______ Crew# ______ Point# ______

August 1st Sea Dogs Hat Night:
# of Tickets ________ @ $20.00/ticket = $_________
August 30th Sea Dogs Hat Night:
# of Tickets ________ @ $20.00/ticket = $_________

August 1st TOTAL $_________
August 30th TOTAL $_________
Total Enclosed $_________

REGISTRATION IS JUST $20.00

KELTY BACKPACKING PACKS

from $109.99

In 1952, Dick Kelty started making backpacks out of his garage for his grateful friends. As he welded aluminum tubing to frame the pack, he also sewed, cut and fitted the packs bags. At 24 bucks a pop, these packs revolutionized backpacking, implementing for the first time Kelty’s ideas of a hip belt and lighter aluminum frames. The Scout Shop is proud to offer the latest award-winning Kelty backpacks for enjoying the wilderness.

Yakima 2000 External frame Capacity - 2,000 cu. in. Weight - 4 lbs. 8 oz.
Trekker 3900 External frame Capacity - 3,900 cu. in. Weight - 4 lbs. 15 oz.
Tioga 5500 External frame Capacity - 5,500 cu. in. Weight - 5 lbs. 14 oz.
Coyote 4750 Internal frame Capacity - 4,750 cu. in. Weight - 5 lbs. 8 oz.
Red Cloud 5600 Internal frame Capacity - 5,600 cu. in. Weight - 6 lbs. 1 oz.

INSTANT TENT $ 99.99

This InstaTENTTM “Up in seconds, down in a flash” has a unique “instant” pop up frame mechanism. The 2-man nylon tent comes with front and rear doors and rain flaps. To erect, simply open out and pull on cord. The InstaTENTTM features air vents and screen doors located on every side, convenient internal storage pockets, sand bags around the sides for stability, internal storage pockets, and a ridge line to secure to ground. New zippered door for privacy! Comes with carry bag for easy storage. Measures 5’ x 6’ x 4‘ and weighs just 7 lbs.

EUREKA! CIMARRON 15 DEGREE SLEEPING BAG $ 44.99

Eureka! You found it! Sleeping bags that will make you think you’re at home in your bed. The shell is made from durable 190T Polyester Mini Ripstop. The liner is constructed from Wicking 1901 polyester taffeta. This sleeping bag is rated down to 15°F.

EUREKA! WILD BASIN SLEEPING BAG $ 49.99

Here is a great zero-degree bag to keep even the most tenderfooted of Scouts comfy! This has all the features, including double-layer ottter, multi-needle construction, polyester shell, and polyester taffeta lining. It is filled with ThermaShield to keep the cold out. Additional features include a #5 self-repairing non-locking zipper, fully adjustable hood and storm collar, draft tube, three-purse pocket, stuff pocket, and a trapezoidal foot box. Measures 84” x 34”.

TURTLE SPEAKS

• Madokawanda Lodge was recently awarded its third National Service Award. The National Service Award is presented to two lodges in each region for exceptional service, for both quality and quantity of the service. Last year, the Lodge gave 9,361 hours of service to the Pine Tree Council. We are the only Lodge in the Northeast Region to have earned the award three times.

• The election season ended on April 15, and the Lodge is now in it’s Ordal season. The first Ordal was on May 2-4. The other two Ordals this year are May 30-June 1 at Camp Hinds, and September 5-7 at Camp Bomazeen in Belgrade. The Ordal season is when the Lodge does the majority of its service to Pine Tree Council, and is a great chance for current members to come and help out. If you are a recently elected candidate, you should be or already have received your Ordal Registration Form. Additional information on the Ordal process can be found online at the Lodge website, www.lodge.pinetreebsa.org.

• Lodge members who are eligible for Brotherhood may do their conversion at the Ordales.

• ArrowCorps5 will be five weeks at five national sites, involving five thousand Arrowmen - the largest service project in the history of the Order.

• The LLD, or Leadership Development week-end, will be at Camp Susan Curtis in Bridgton, on October 24-26. The theme this year is “Survive!!!” and we will be having a number of training cells following that theme. The Maine Search & Rescue dog crew will be coming in to do a couple demonstrations. The cost for the event is expected to be around $25. More information will be made available as we get closer.

34 teams join Council Golf Tournament

This year’s Council Golf Tournament was the most successful Tournament ever with over $50,000 raised towards Scouting here in the Pine Tree Council. Thirty-four foursomes joined us for a day of fun and competition on May 19th at the Woodlands Golf Club in Falmouth. A special thanks goes to John Marr who once again chaired the golf tournament and continued to beat his own records. John would also like to thank Eric Hills, Lance Bell, and Doug Moore for the invaluable work they do for the committee. Finally, thank you to all who participated in the event. We hope to see you all again next year!