

PINE SPILLS Fall 2010

Celebrating ScoutFest

100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America



Pine Tree Council, BSA



President's Message

As fall in Maine settles in our units get back to Scouting with outdoors activities, pack and troop meetings,. welcoming new Scouts and much more!

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2010 is the 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, and celebrate the anniversary we did at "Scout Fest 2010" which was just held at the Windsor Fairgrounds!

What a great time for every Scout and family members that attended. From the opening parade of flags, huge tiger slide, cooking demos, fireworks and laser shows it was great! The scouts of all ages found lots of activities for them to enjoy!

Over 3500 attended ScoutFest and it was a smooth event thanks to all of the volunteer staff, leaders and parents that attended. My hats off to chair of the event, Brad Seitz, and his staff of 150 that planned and carried out ScoutFest.

I know my son and I, along with his troop had a great time! Let's all look forward to the next 100 years of Scouting!

Yours in Scouting,

Pete



PORTLAND PIRATES SCOUT NIGHT October 23, 2010 at 7:00PM

The Portland Pirates and the Pine Tree Council of the Boy Scouts of America are excited to once again host Boy Scouts as well as their families and friends during the 2010-2011 season. The Pirates invite Boy Scouts from across the state to Boy Scout Night on October 23rd, 2010 at 7:00PM at the Cumberland County Civic Center.

All tickets for Boy Scouts, family and friends, are just \$10.00 each, and all Boy Scouts attending the game will receive a commemorative Portland Pirates Scout Night scout patch! Boy Scouts are also encouraged to wear their scout uniform to the game.

To purchase tickets to the October 23rd Scout Night please contact Ben at the Portland Pirates at (207) 828-4665 x317. You may also purchase online at www.formstack.com/forms/portlandpirates-boyscouts

Deadline to order is Friday, October 22nd or while supplies last. Tickets ordered more than 5 days in advance of game date will be mailed, all others will be held at the Will Call window at the Cumberland County Civic Center. Seats are assigned on a best available basis in Boy Scout Select Seating areas.

Please combine multiple orders if you would like to be seated together.

Scout Fest

“Reflections of the Past ~ Visions of the Future”
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October 8 - 10 at Windsor Fairgrounds
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Check out the Closing Show—celebrating the 100th anniversary of the BSA
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“My Visions ~ My Future” Look for it on the ScoutFest 2010 facebook page
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*Our Thanks to the ScoutFest Key Staff Team
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And all the volunteers, leaders and Scouts that
And all the volunteers, leaders and Scouts that
made it happen!*

ScoutFest Chair— Brad Seitz

Sub Camp Chief—Dave Sinclair

AB Sub Camp—Dennis Bowden
CB Sub Camp—Bill Bradbury
DE Sub Camp—Paul Galipeau &
George Field
KV Sub Camp— Karla Tapley
YK Sub Camp— Ed Guptill

Shows & Demos— John Trott

Boy Scout Program— Steve Turner

Old Time Scouting— Carl Gagnon
MB Midway—Bob Robinson & Kelly
Pillsbury
Shooting Sports—Tom Morris
Radio— Jerry Gerlach
Technology Center— Scott Valcourt
Order of the Arrow- Matt Allaire &
Bruce Rueger
Vendor Displays—Rick Denico
Cooking— Bob Bussiere & Ron Lance

Cub Scout Program— Karen Douglas

Pinewood Derby— Mary Jane & Don Vachon
CHIPS—Don Pratt
Pinewood Derby— Scott Haney
Table Tennis—Theirry Weber
Webelos Activities—Rob Taylor & Post 897

Military Relations— Bill Ross

Coast Guard—John Hume
National Guard—Rodney Gagnon

Marketing— Matt Dubois

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Security— Scarborough & Portland Police
Explorers
Medical—Mike Mirisola
Maps—Jim Weaver

Registrations— Paul Hallee

Trading Post—Mike King

PTC Staff Advisor— Cathy Gosselin

Welcome To Scouting!

For all our new families we welcome you into our organization. You and your son have joined a movement that became 100 years old in 2010 – it is a special year to have become a Scout! We want your experience in our program to be exciting and beneficial.

Our goal is simple – to build leaders. Each program that your Scout will participate in contributes towards this goal in a very specific way. Our wish is that your son will begin his journey as a Cub Scout and will continue on through Boy Scouts, and possibly even Venturing or Exploring, so that they will be able to fully experience all that our organization has to offer.

For now, the task is simple – show up to the Den meetings, meet new friends, see new stuff, and have fun! To help you accomplish this task there are a few resources we'd like to share with you –

Maine has two Boy Scout Councils – Pine Tree and Katahdin. You belong to the Pine Tree Council. In order to learn about the council that you are a part of and see what resources we have to offer your scout, family, and unit please visit www.pinetreebsa.org.

When you and your son receive your membership cards, those cards will have a membership ID number. Go to www.myscouting.org and create an account. From this website you will be able to gain access to training, updates, and much more. Your first stop should be the TRAINING section to take “This is Scouting” and “Youth Protection.”

www.Scouting.org is the National Scouting Movement website. Check it out...you will soon see why we are a movement of over 4 million members!

Make sure you filled out a youth application for your son and an adult application for yourself, paid your registration fees, and that your Scout leader received the forms from you. Your application is the key to getting you and your son covered by our insurance, registered in the system, and much more.

WELCOME TO SCOUTING, we look forward to serving your family in the years to come!



Boy Scout News

Winter Camp 2010

What are you doing during February school vacation??

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 2010 February 14th – 19th.

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 quinzees (snow shelters), along with snowshoeing and cross-country skiing.

Cost for Winter Camp is \$260.00 per person and includes a night of snow tubing. A \$25.00 deposit holds your space with full payment due by Feb. 8th. Enrollment is limited to the first 32 Scouts who sign –up. Contact the Pine Tree Council Camping at 797-5252 x 14 to sign up or send in registration form below! Mark your calendars for Winter Camp! What a great way to spend school vacation!



Winter Camp 2010 Registration Form

Please save my spot in Winter Camp 2010 ~ enclosed is a \$25.00 deposit.

Name _____ Age _____ Troop _____
Street Address _____ Rank _____
City/State/Zip _____ Phone _____
Email address _____
Scoutmaster's Name _____

Mail to: Pine Tree Council, 131 Johnson Rd. Portland, ME 04102

Unit Rechartering Notes

The Boy Scouts of America issues charters annually to community organizations to use the Scouting program under their own leadership as a service to their children, youth, and families. Rechartering refers to the process that renews your organization's charter and the registrations of your members and adult leaders. It can be done simply by accessing the Council's website at www.pinetreebsa.org and following the steps outlined.

All units will need an access code once they enter the rechartering area on the website. Please note that the access code issued to your unit last year will not work. Your unit's access code can be found within your chartering packet.

Every unit charter in every district of the Pine Tree Council will expire at the end of the month of December. You should plan to turn-in your completed charter paperwork by December 15th with all the appropriate information, signatures and fees. Please do all you can to assure that your charter is turned in by this day. All units will be able to access the website to begin this process on November 1st.

One important change you should be aware of this year is the youth protection training requirement for all registered adult leaders. In order for any leader in your unit to be registered in your unit they must complete and show proof of youth protection training. This can be done by attaching either a training card, or training report to the Charter.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your Unit Commissioner or District Executive at the Council Service Center by calling 797-5252.

PTC Popcorn chairman- Our thanks to Ken Kacere for his leadership in assisting us with our 2010 popcorn sale!

Ken Kacere, General Manager and Sr. VP L.L.Bean Retail Stores, is a retail veteran who specializes in developing and rolling out unique retail concepts. He currently leads the L.L.Bean strategy to expand its retail stores throughout the country as part of the company's multi-channel initiative. Founded in 1912 by Leon Leonwood Bean, L.L.Bean has grown from a one-man operation to a global organization and is a trusted source for quality apparel, reliable outdoor equipment and expert advice. Prior to his ten years with L.L.Bean, Ken worked with G.H.Bass & Co.

In addition to BSA's Pine Tree Council board, Ken is also a member on the Freeport Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors. FEDC is a non-profit organization that promotes sustainable economic growth to strengthen and diversify the economic base of Freeport. They provide free and confidential assistance to current businesses and companies looking to establish or expand their businesses in Freeport.

Ken is a native of Iowa, and currently resides in Scarborough, Maine with his wife Penny.



2010 PTC Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner

We are delighted and proud to honor **Robert Harmon**, President & CEO of Norway Savings Bank, as the Pine Tree Council **2010 Distinguished Citizen Award** recipient at our annual award dinner on Thursday, November 11th at the Holiday Inn by the Bay in Portland.

The dinner helps the Pine Tree Council raise the funds necessary to make Scouting possible here in Maine. Bob was very pleased to have been named for this prestigious award. Please join us in congratulating Bob for this special award!

We are also very honored to have Bill Green of Bill Green's Maine as our Master of Ceremonies for the evening, and Gold Medalist Seth Wescott as our Keynote Speaker. Thank you as well to Troop 648 from Brunswick for performing the opening ceremony, Eagle Scout Eric Hughes of Troop 86 in Gray for serving as our Scout Speaker, and Bruce Rueger, OA Lodge Adviser and Scoutmaster for Troop 436 in Waterville, for providing our Scoutmaster's Minute.

A special thanks also goes to our dinner committee without whom the dinner could never be a success. Thank you to Alan Atkins, Tom Cattell, Jim Chalmers, Russ Collett, Tom Dunham, David Erb, Vince Furey, Karen Hakala, Janet Hansen, Horace Horton, Ken Kacere, Jack Lufkin, Jim Lesser, Tom McDowell, Jeff Messer, Peter Moore, John Newcomb, Brian Prichard, Burt Russell, Brian Shibles, Bill Siperly, Walt Stinson, Pam Veilluex, Peter Ventre and David Weeks.



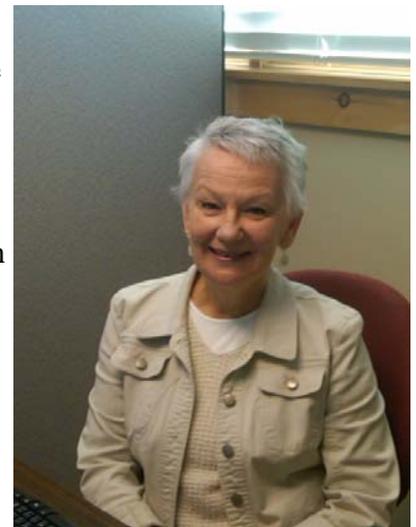
Welcome to Anna Witthoft at Pine Tree Council

Anna Witthoft grew up and lived in Hong Kong, China for 18 years where her father owns an import export business. Anna was a Brownie and Girl Guide who achieved the Chief Commissions Award, which is the equivalent to the Golden Girl Scouts Award. Today she still volunteers with Scouting, has worked at Pondicherry Girl Scout Camp and is currently the Marketing Intern at Pine Tree Council. Anna is studying at Endicott College in Beverly, Massachusetts and will graduate in May 2011 with a major in Communications and a minor in Creative Writing. After graduating she hopes to work for a magazine or an advertising agency.



Welcome to Linda Jallad

The Pine Tree Council would like to welcome Linda Jallad to the staff. She has come on the staff as a part-time Administrative Assistant. Linda is semi-retired from many years in Development work most recently in Tucson, Arizona at the Tohono Chul Park Desert Museum. Linda had also spent some time prior with the Pine Tree Council in Development. Linda has two grown children, volunteers with the Ronald McDonald House in her spare time, and is very happy to be back in Maine.



2010 Fall Popcorn Sale Pointers

You all have a lot going on this fall, and in an effort to keep you on pace with the popcorn sale we'd like to provide you with this short list of reminders to share with your unit youth and leaders. The goal is to put the "Outing" into "Scouting," and funds raised from the popcorn sale will help to do that for your Scouts!

Dates –

Show and Sell Returns/Transfers due to the Council Office by October 15th.

Show and Sell bills due to Council by October 22nd.

Take Order Sale Orders and Prize Orders due to Council by October 29th.

Take Order Product Distribution on November 13th.

Take Order Bills due to Council by December 3rd.

Sell Online! All you need to do is have your scouts send one of the prepared e-mails on www.trails-end.com to family and friends – that's it. Easy money, and you never need pick up a box!

Use www.trails-end.com for useful tools and templates to make posters, send e-mails, and much more.

Use www.pinetreecbsa.org to gain access to all the information, booklets, and sales guides for our Council's fall sale. Everything is able to be downloaded for your use.

Become a friend of the [Council Popcorn Facebook Page](#)! Get information quickly and share ideas with your fellow scouts and leaders.

Two more chances to win an I-Pod Touch or Nintendo DSi – October 1st and October 22nd. Remember that....1 Filled Order Sheet = 1 Name in the drawing, 2 Filled Order Sheets = A Scout's Name goes into the Drawing Twice, etc.

Think Outside the Box for sales ideas to reach your unit's and Scout's goals –

Sell at Church on Sunday after services (after getting permission)

Promote the Military Program at American Legion halls, Amvet halls, Police stations, Fire stations, Coast Guard, and National Guard posts.

Think BIG. Ask to have your scouts sell at hospitals or large companies like BIW, Saco Maine Defense, SAPPI Paper, Idexx, and others.

Use the Blitz Day concept. Get your unit in one place on a specific date and canvas a neighborhood. Doing the sale as a team fosters fellowship and positive energy. Plus, managing your parents towards one or two specific dates is more attractive to a family.

Go where the people are....like Transfer Stations, hardware stores, barber shops, and Oil Change shops on the weekends.

Fall Round Up Reminders

All of our Cub Packs are busy inviting new families to join the Scouting Program this fall. The following is a quick list of highlights to pay attention to so that these new members can be welcomed properly.

Use www.beascout.org on all your promotional media. A family may miss your recruitment date, but they can visit www.beascout.org and find your unit information for a follow up visit. You need to have somebody from your unit log onto www.beascout.org through their www.myscouting.org account to ensure that the contact information for your unit is accurate.

Holding a recruit as part of another community activity (fair, School open house, church service, etc.) is unadvisable. Typically the Scouting recruit gets lost in the furvor of the community activity. These venues are perfect for passing out flyers and putting up posters INVITING families to a SEPARATE time, date, and locaton for your recruit. Your October Pack Meeting night would be perfect – you already have a place, time, and date set. Here are a few tips to make your recruit a success –

When you get a date, let your District Executive know. They can print you flyers for free, and even drop them off into the schools and community centers if needed. The best situaiton is if you can make arrangements with the local schools to do a 8 minute pitch to the kids at lunch or in home room to invite them to your recruitment nights.

Do not give more than one time on your flyer. If you let folks think they can arrive between 6 and 8 pm, they will. If you tell them 6 pm – they all show up at once and you can move along with your program.

Have a seperate program planned for the new kids Vs the parents. The ideal situation would be to have your local Scout Troop provide boys who will take your Cub Scouts and new scouts off to play team building games while you spend time talking to the parents. Don't make the new scout sit through a lecture on what the pack does – the kids don't care, they want to get moving around.

When you sign up a kid you need to sign up a parent with them. Have plenty of applicatons around – adult and youth (your District Executive can get you these for free). Make sure they fill out the applicaiton at your recruitment night and that they give it to you before they leave. On the adult application they need to fill out the Social Security Number, the 5 quesitons to the right, and the background check validation on the inside of the cover page.

Don't settle for one recruit – more families means more potential leaders for your unit. Hold a recruit in October and another in November. The worst that can happen is more kids become involved. Again, let your District Executive know so they can make flyers and support your unit.

A friendly reminder to all the troops in the council...NO PACK GROWTH = NO TROOP GROWTH (so, help out your brothers in blue)

PTC Thank-you's

The Pine Tree Council would like to thank the following leaders and youth staff who have helped with some of the recent PTC events. Because of their efforts, we have made the Scouting program stronger!

Camp Hinds Key Leadership~
Camp Director– Josh Gagnon
Program Director– Karen Hawkes
Commissioner– Sam Sprinkle
CIT Director– Wayne Holden
COPE Director– Mark Tanguay
Climbing Director– Mike Gosselin
Nature Director– James Wiley
Craftshop Director– Jai Wescott
Scoutcraft Director– Tom Parenteau
Tech Director- Stephen Molina
Trading Post Manager– Bethany Irish
Head Nurse– Pat St. Pierre
Aquatics Director– Robert Carter
Provosonial SM– Jake Sprinkle
Archery Director– Dustin Wiggin
Shooting Sports Director– Tom Morris
Sports Director—Tyler Vachon
Property Super– Ranger Bob
Camp Ranger– Matt Gosselin

FunPack Weekend District Coordinators:
(and all their Pirate Staff)
Abnaki– Mary Jane Vachon
Casco Bay– John & Mary Trott
Downeast– Troy Norko
K– Valley—Juanita Spaulding
York– Tracy Grogan

Day Camp Directors (and all their wonderful staff)

Abnaki- Marilee Verrill & Andy Breau

Casco Bay at Hinds-

Doug Riddell and Rita Loft

Casco Bay at Westbrook-

Missy Bell and Jen Hardin

Downeast District– Marilee Verrill & Aimee Sanfilippo

K- Valley District– Lee & Belinda Hinckley

Uork District– Diana Vermette & Jay Ferrill

2010 National Jamboree~

Troop 105 leaders:

David Sinclair– SM

Dave Wade– ASM

Dave Collins- ASM

Bob Bussiere– ASM

Jim Murphy—ASM

James Waring– ASM

Troop 106 Leaders:

Tom Wiley– SM

Peter Ventre—ASM

Sam Cushing—ASM

Don Littlefield– ASM

Zac Knights—ASM

PTC Contingent Leader– Brad Seitz



**BOY SCOUT SCOUTMASTER AND
ASST. SCOUTMASTER LEADER TRAINING
INTRODUCTION TO OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS (ITOLS)**

October 22 - 24, 2010
Camp Hinds in Raymond, ME

Registration begins on Friday, 10/22/10 5:00 – 7:00 PM
Course will end on Sunday, 10/24/10 till done

Cost is **\$20.00 per person if pre-registered via the Pine Tree Council Service Center by 10/21/10 or \$25.00 if paid at the door.**

Food will be provided except for Friday night dinner which is on your own.

What to bring:

Tent, Cook stove (optional), Uniform , SM Handbook (optional) and Scout Handbook (optional) are your leader reference materials, Personal Camping Gear, Warm Clothing, Pencil & Paper and LOTS of Scout Spirit.

If you have any questions about the session, please contact:

Bob Robinson at 615-1447
E-mail: rrobinson@hancocklumber.com

Or: Matthew Randall at 797-5252 x21
E-mail: Mrandall@bsamail.org

To Register, Mail payment to: Pine Tree Council, 131 Johnson Road, Portland, ME 04102

BOY SCOUT SM/ASM LEADER TRAINING
Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (ITOLS)

October 22 - 24, 2010
Camp Hinds in Raymond, ME

Name: _____ Troop: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____

Fee Enclosed: _____

**WEBELOS LEADER OUTDOOR TRAINING (WLOT)
REQUIRED TRAINING FOR WEBELOS LEADERS TO TAKE SCOUTS
CAMPING**

WLOT IS TRAINING TO PREPARE YOU AS A LEADER TO BRING YOUR WEBELOS OUT CAMPING. WHAT TO BRING, HOW TO PREPARE, WHAT FACILITIES ARE NEEDED, BSA RULES AND REGULATIONS, AND HOW TO HAVE FUN BY INTEGRATING ACTIVITIES SUCH AS THE CAMPFIRE, GAMES, AND WEBELOS ACTIVITIES TOGETHER WITH THE CAMPING EXPERIENCE.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22ND TO SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23RD (8 PM)

BASIC ADULT LEADER OUTDOOR ORIENTATION (BALOO) FOR CUB SCOUT LEADERS -REQUIRED TRAINING FOR PACKS TO HOLD A PACK OVERNIGHTER! THIS IS AN ENERGETIC TRAINING THAT WILL COVER EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO PLAN AND RUN A PACK OVERNIGHTER. IT'S MORE THAN JUST CAMPING—IT INCLUDES IDEAS FOR OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES, GAMES AND CEREMONIES; INFORMATION ON SELECTING AND USING CAMPING EQUIPMENT; HOW TO RUN A CAMPFIRE PROGRAM; AND HANDS-ON CUB SCOUT COOKING DEMONSTRATIONS! IN SHORT, EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO MAKE YOUR PACK OVERNIGHTER A FUN, SUCCESSFUL EVENT!

Friday, October 22nd to Saturday, October 23rd (5 pm)

Camp Hinds – Raymond, ME (146 Plains Rd., Raymond, ME 04071)

A Class 1 Medical Form is required for all participants.

Food will be provided except for Friday night dinner

Check-in & Registration Time is 6 PM- 7 PM on Friday night!

What to Bring: Tent, Scout Uniform, Personal Camping Gear, Warm Clothing, Lawn Chair, Pencil & Paper, Scout Spirit Webelos leaders should also bring a jackknife and Webelos Handbook!

Dress Appropriately for Outdoor Weather ~Remember this time of year can be cold!!!

*****Please Pre-register for Training at the Pine Tree Council Service Center.*****

Questions? Please contact Pine Tree Council at 797-5252 x21 or email mrandall@bsamail.org

**Registration Form – Pine Tree Council WLOT and BALOO Training
October 22nd – 23rd, 2010 Camp Hinds – Raymond, ME**

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Pack # _____ District _____

Have you been trained in Scouting before?(circle) YES NO

If YES, please list training completed: _____

Mail Registration Form and Payment to: Pine Tree Council,
131 Johnson Road, Portland, ME 04102

Position in Scouting:

- Cubmaster
- Assistant Cubmaster
- Tiger Cub Den Leader
- Cub Scout Den Leader
- Webelos Den Leader
- Pack Committee

Fees:

- WLOT (\$15.00)
- BALOO (\$15.00)
- Additional Late Fee \$5.00
after 10/21/10

OKPIK Maine offers:

- *Backpacking style trail food.
- *Trained OKPIK guides to accompany your crew.
- *Hundreds of acres at and around Camp Hinds in Raymond, Maine
- * Cold weather first aid and camping training
- * Equipment sleds, skies, snowshoes, and other cold weather camping gear
- * Supplemental cold weather clothing and sleeping systems.
- * Emergency Radio communication
- * OKPIK Maine participant patches
- *Shower facilities in our heated lodge
- * OKPIK Trading Post

2011 OKPIK DATES

Jan 7 - 9, 14-16, 21-23, 28-30

Feb. 4-6, 11-13, 18- 20

Shelter Building

Learn to build your own quinzee or thermal shelter out of snow and natural materials. A quinzee will remain at a cozy 25 degrees even when the temperature is far below zero!



Snow-shoeing

The traditional method of travel in the Maine woods, is still a fun and efficient way to get where you are going!



PRICES AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Reservation for the popular OKPIK program should be made as early as possible. We do fill up! You can make a reservation by phone. Your reservation will be held for two weeks and is secured when your deposit is paid. Reservations are subject to cancellation after the deposit deadline date. Call Pine Tree Council at (207) 797-5252 ext. 14 or reservations.

Fees for 2011:

\$75.00 for Pine Tree Council

youth and adults

\$100.00 for Out of Council Youth and Adults.

\$60.00 for extra adults not required for the two deep leadership requirements per crew staying in the lodge.

Medical Forms:

We require a Class 1 & 2 Medical Form (physical within past 1 years) from every OKPIK participant.

Minimum age requirement:

Participants must be age 13+

For More OKPIK Info:

Call Pine Tree Council at (207) 797-5252 ext. 14 or e-mail

cgosseli@bsamail.org

OKPIK registration forms and Information on our Web Site:

www.pinetreebsa.org



PTC Property Rentals



The 2011 rental season will open for reservation starting Sept. 1, 2010. Rental opportunities at all of our camps include campsites, cabins and the Training Center Lodge at Camp Hinds. These rentals are open to all Scout groups. If you choose to rent a building for only one night on a weekend– the full weekend rate will apply!



To Reserve, check availability with Kathy Higgins at PTC @ 797-5252 x 32, complete a Property Use Form and send in with the fee to PTC. Property Use Forms are available on our web site at www.pinetreetsa.org



Road work at Camp Bomazeen– The National Guard has been providing labor and equipment for the new road being built at Camp Bomazeen! Enjoy the photos!



Abnaki District

Ed Desgrosseilliers, District Chairman, 777-3125, esd@roadrunner.com

Clyde Cavender, District Commissioner, 504-0450, ccavender1@roadrunner.com

Dan Warner, Assistant District Commissioner for Communications, abnakidistrict@gmail.com

Tony Bessey, District Executive, 797-5252 ext 33. abessey@bsamail.org

Abnaki District Training ~ There is one remaining training opportunity coming up within our District. On October 30th will be training for all Cub Leaders, Committee Members, Scoutmasters, and Assistant Scoutmasters at the South Paris Congregational Church. For more details and registration forms please visit our website (www.abnakidistrict.org).

Position Vacancies ~ Abnaki District is currently looking for volunteers to fill the following openings:
Commissioners Wanted! - We are looking for a few good Scouters to help with unit service. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Unit Commissioner, please feel free to contact District Commissioner Clyde Cavender at ccavender1@roadrunner.com or by phone at (207) 504-0450.

Boy Scout Training Chair Wanted! - The Abnaki District is looking for a new Boy Scout Training Chair. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact either District Program Chair Rich Philbrick at (207) 357-4996 or District Training Chair Dennis Bowden at (207) 743-8902.
months.

Congratulations ~ Our District Chairman, Ed Desgrosseilliers, completed his Order of the Arrow Ordeal at Camp Bomazeen in September. Please take a moment to congratulate Ed when you see him.

Special Thanks for a Job Well Done! ~ The Key 3 would like to take a moment to thank all of our Adult and Youth Leaders who made Cub Scout Day Camp and Fun Pack Weekend Possible. Special thanks go out to Camp Director Marilee Verrill, Program Director Andy Breau and Fun Pack Weekend Coordinator Mary Jane Vachon for all their hard work and effort. It is their tireless vision coupled with the great volunteers of our District that make it possible for us to do all the great things we do for our youth.

Recharter ~ Members of Abnaki District it is time to start thinking about Recruitment and Re-Chartering. If you missed the September Roundtable at the Auburn Middle School your packet was for rechartering was delivered to you Unit Commissioner. Please make arrangements to make a meeting with your Unit Commissioner to go over the packet and the schedule of events concerning this year's commitment to rechartering on time. This year all of the District's in Pine Tree Council will recharter in December, so the earlier that we use the online program the faster we will complete the process. If you do not know who your Unit Commissioner is please contact the District Commissioner at ccavender1@roadrunner.com or call 504-0450.

Recruiting ~ A reminder that with recruitment that more the adult application can be submitted that the individual needs to complete Youth Protection either online or a one of the training locations within the Council, remember a copy of the completion certificate must be submitted with the application.

Congratulations to Dan Warner for accepting to be the Abnaki Assistant District Commissioner for Communications. Dan will be responsible for a couple of items for the District which includes: Webmaster for the District's website, District's Facebook page, Twitter account and editor for the upcoming weekly newsletter via email. If you wish to be a) added to the newsletter email list, or b) be removed from the list please contact Dan at abnakidistrict@gmail.com.

Casco Bay District

CAMP WRAP-UP

Thank you to our Westbrook Day Camp Administration Missy Bell & Jen Hardin , our Hinds Day Camp Administration Doug Riddell & Rita Loft, our Funpack Director Mary Trott and the many volunteers that gave their time to make Casco Bay's summer cub camp experience a success!!! Come join us at camp next summer!

RECHARTERING

Starting this year all rechartering will happen in December. The registration year will follow the calendar year beginning in January and ending in December. We would like all units to do their best to get their recharter rosters, additional paperwork and money for the 2011 year back in by December 15th.

Many kits were handed out at the September Roundtable and several more have been picked up at Pine Tree Council. If you are looking for yours just let me know so I can double check where it is. We still have some here at PTC but other kits have been given to Unit Commissioners to distribute.

Please keep in touch with us as to how you are progressing as well as if you need help. You can contact Matt Mower at 797-5252 ext 23/ mmower@bsamail.org, your unit commissioner or District Commissioner Bill Bradbury at 320-0060 or scoutcamper@aol.com

FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

Time is has arrived for Pine Tree Council's annual Friends of Scouting (FOS) Fundraising Campaign. FOS is an annual fundraising campaign that gives Scouts, their families and interested people in the community an opportunity to financially support the council. This fundraising campaign helps support the council in the following ways: camp maintenance, keeping camp registration fees low, camperships, accident and liability insurance, organizing new units, servicing existing units, maintain scout service center including records, information and support staff and support from professional staff.

To schedule your unit's Family Presentation please contact Casco Bay District Family FOS Coordinator Rich Peterson at 699-8237 or bsatroup135@hotmail.com. We are also looking for presenters to visit 1-5 units.

KLONDIKE DERBY

The 2011 Klondike Derby is scheduled for Saturday January 29 at Camp Hinds. Casco Bay Chapter, Order of the Arrow is working to bring you "Return of the Yeti." More info to come.

PINEWOOD DERBY

The 2011 Pinewood Derby will be on Saturday April 2nd. More information to come.

E-NEWS

To receive regular email updates about what's going on in Casco Bay District you want to be on our e-news list. If you or anyone in Scouting you know isn't send Matt Mower (mmower@bsamail.org) an email address and I'll add it to our list.

Downeast District

District Chair: Mike Marriner ~ mike@marrinerspaving.com

District Commissioner: Jeff Northgraves ~ jeffns@knoxcounty.midcoast.com

District Executive: Adam Corzatt ~ acorzatt@bsaemail.org

Downeast District Web-Site: <http://www.downeastdistrict.org/>

The district web-site is filled with useful information and links as well as upcoming events and recent news in The Beacon, the Downeast District's own newsletter.

Thank You

To everyone who attended and helped out at the Union or Topsham Day Camps, the Fun Pack Weekend, or Camp Hinds BSA Camp, we in the Downeast District would like to say thank you! These are the kinds of events that the youth in our program will remember for the rest of their lives, and without your help, they would not be possible. Thank you for another great summer of camping!

Re-chartering

Yes, it is that time of year again. Re-charter packets have been prepared and are currently being distributed to your units by our illustrious District Commissioner Staff. Contact your Unit Commissioner or come to our next Roundtable Meeting (Wednesday, October 13th, 7PM at the Wiscasset Middle School) for more information on re-chartering, where to get your re-charter packet, or help with the process.

Friends of Scouting

Congratulations Downeast District for being the first District in Pine Tree Council to reach our Family FOS goal! That means that the FOS patch for 2011 was our honor to create, and the Downeast District Committee has selected an excellent design from one of our own Scouters. The Community FOS campaign is still underway, but with some work that too can be wrapped up for the year in the very near future. Our Finance Committee will begin planning the 2011 campaigns soon, so a call to schedule a presentation with your unit will be coming before long.

In Search Of Commissioners

The Downeast District is always in need of some more volunteers to help us improve our unit service by working as a Commissioner. If you might be interested in working as a Commissioner, please contact Jeff Northgraves, District Commissioner, at jeffns@knoxcounty.midcoast.com

Thank You!

We at the Boy Scouts would like to say "Thank You" to everyone who has helped out the Scouting movement, whether financially or with volunteer hours, or even simply driving your son to a meeting. You are the folks who make Scouting possible millions of young people every year. Thank you for everything you do to help our Scouting family. Keep up the good work.

K-Valley Bay District

District Chair: Kelly Pillsbury at 453-4631 or kellyp22@myfairpoint.net

District Commissioner: Charles Ferguson at 549-7751 or Chuckemian@aol.com

District Executive: Scott Verrill at 592-8077 or strictly@megalink.net

District Newsletter Editor: Scott Bernier moxiemian@gwi.net

District Web-site: <http://kv-scouts.org/>

245 attend the K-Valley FunPack Weekend @ Hinds!

Congratulations to Juanita Spaulding & the FunPack Weekend Team on their success!

K-Valley hosted their FunPack weekend July 31 and Aug 1st. There were 245 scouts and parents who attended and it was great! I want to thank the staff: Tracy Grogan - York District Funpack; Coordinator, Steve Saucier - York DE, Scott Verrill - K-Valley DE, John Trott, (and helpers) from Casco Bay, Everett & Chris Spaulding (Troop #428), Daren and Elijah Harvey (Troop #428), Scott and Scotty Leighton (Troop #428), Karla Talpey (Troop 497), Ricky Merrill (Troop 199/Pack 599), Mike Brown (Troop 199), Aaron Fletcher (Scout helper), Dana Bernier (Archery), Dennis Bowden (Waterfront Director), David Spaulding (EMT), Ed Hansen (Scout Helper), Greg Solomon & Dustin Wiggin (Camp Hinds Kitchen staff). It was a great weekend all the way around!!! Bring on next year!!!

Juanita Spaulding, K-Valley FunPack Coordinator

150 Cub Scouts attend Day Camp @ Bomazeen!

Congratulations to Lee and Belinda Hinkley, 2010 K-Valley Day Camp Directors and the entire Day Camp Staff for running a very large and successful 100th Anniversary Day Camp @ Bomazeen the first week in August! What an incredible team of volunteer leaders we had that brought the 2010 theme of Sea Adventures to life for 150 boys, a large Tot Lot contingent, and all their families as they shared in the closing program and the ice cream social provided by Friendly's at the close of camp.

It was very exciting to see Camp Bomazeen in full swing each day and we look forward to the improvements to come as the way is cleared for the future of Camp Bomazeen and the Cub Scouting families of Pine Tree Council. Many thanks to all those who made this a banner year for KV Day Camp. Thanks, Lee & Belinda Hinkley, K-Valley Day Camp Directors

K-Valley Family Friends of Scouting Campaign exceeds \$20,000 Goal in pledges!

Congratulations to Ricky Merrill, KV Family Friends of Scouting Chair and his team for their success in the Family Campaign!

The Family Campaign for Friends of Scouting in K-Valley District was a huge success in many ways. We met our goal of \$20,000.00 which was due in large part to the right people and circumstances coming together at the right time. This was the first year in which I was involved as the Chair for the District. Thanks to the many volunteers that helped do presentations and helped out at phone-a-thons, and the many gracious families and Units that made it an easy task to complete.

I would first like to start out by thanking all the units that allowed us in to their meetings, banquets, Courts of Honor, & Pinewood Derbies for us to do our presentations. Second I would like to congratulate the following for becoming a Friends of Scouting Honor Units for 2010: Pack 436, Pack 585, Pack 622, Pack 609, Troop 432, Troop 481, Troop 698, Troop 433, Troop 454, Troop 436, Troop 460, and Troop 609. Next I would like to thank the following presenters as I am eternally grateful for all their help: Kelly Pillsbury, Scott Adams, Charlie Mathews, Cindy Davis, George Dawbin Jr., Ron Mayo, Charlie Ferguson Karla Talpey, and Scott Verrill. Next I would like to thank Paul Hallee for providing us with a location to make our phone calls for our phone-a-thons. This was a great help as we could all be at the same location to help strategize how we would complete the task at hand.

I now have 3 very special people that I need to thank. First is Cindy Davis, not only did she go far above and beyond her role in doing 6 presentations, she also attended every call-a-thon and helped in scheduling some of the presentations. The many hours she gave to this campaign cut down a great many hours I would have had to pick-up. I can honestly say I could not have done this without you. Charlie Ferguson also helped at call--thons as well as doing presentations, and was key to reaching our goal as a District. He secured the last \$1,000.00 with one phone call. Lastly I would like to thank Scott Verrill who helped by constantly meeting with me and gently nudging me in the right direction. We would never have been able to have this success without that.

Ricky Merrill ~ KV Family FOS Chairman

District Program Launch @ Bomazeen a huge success!

Many thanks to all those who made the traditional Kick-off at Bomazeen a great time of fellowship, information, and fun! The Bomazeen Old-timers provided and prepared the meal along with donations from Performance Food Group secured by Rick Denico. This was a great start to the 2010/2011 Scouting season.

York District

Order of the Arrow Elections

Scout Leaders, the Order of the Arrow will be conducting election ceremonies from January 1st until April 15th. If you would like an election team to come to your unit, please contact Kyle Connolly at kyleconn1990@aim.com with the date, time, and location your unit meets. You can also contact Brandon Lyon at SpeedyRower@aol.com. We will both be at the York Chapter meetings held at 7:00pm at Sanford High School on the first Thursday of every month.

Scouting for Food

We are hoping for a great Scouting for Food campaign this year. The door hanger distribution will be on Nov. 6 and food pick up will be on Nov. 20. We hope to have door hangers for the October Roundtable. Please let us know where you bring your food? Or let us know if you need help finding a place that will take the food? You can contact York District Scouting for Food Chair Julie Kahler at scouting4food@aol.com.

Lodge Leadership

Development Weekend

On the weekend of October 22nd, your brothers from across the lodge will be flocking to the Bog Brook Training Site in Gilead, Maine for the annual Lodge Leadership Development Weekend (LLD). This event only happens once a year, so **DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE!**

Come spend time with the lodge while learning, having fun, and pushing yourself to the limit in the site's facilities. The morning will entail many new and interesting training sessions, including courses on communications, the OA Troop Rep program, and patch design. In the afternoon you can spend your time on the rock wall before you experience the return of the Turtle Cup, a competition to find the fittest chapter. Wrapping up the event will be a rousing evening of OA Jeopardy, when one chapter will show it's dominance in the history department of our Order, answering questions ranging from reciting ceremony lines to naming important members. Surely you must be there when Sunday morning rolls around, or you'll miss the election of **YOUR** lodge officers for next year. **YOU** can have a say in the future of our lodge!

Arrival time is 6:30 to 8:00 PM Friday, October 22nd. Departure will be 9:30 Sunday. Event cost is \$15.

Register now as space is limited to 80 participants. Download the flyer on our website:

<http://www.pinetrebsa.org/lodge/>

Everyone is invited to LLD.

