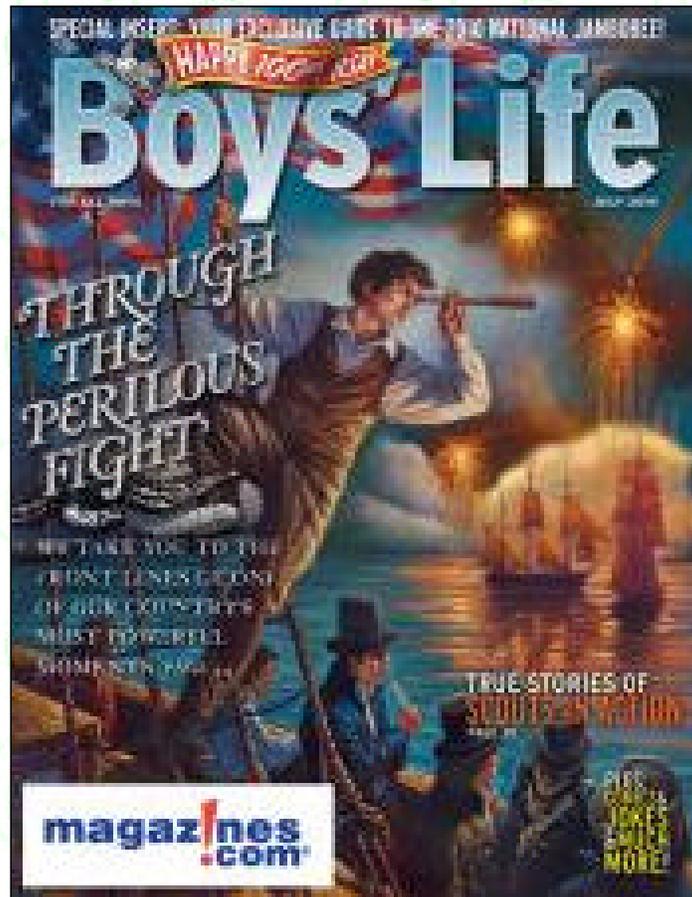


PINE SPILLS

Summer 2010



PTC Scout makes cover of Boy's Life!

Pine Tree Council Eagle Scout and Camp Hinds staff member, Spencer Hawkes, was the model for the July 2010 Boy's Life cover! Spencer is an art student at Brigham Young University in Utah when a professor asked to use his likeness as the man on the cargo net!!

Way to go Spencer!

Pine Tree Council, BSA



President's Message

As you read this I will be at or just returning from the 2010 National Jamboree where I am serving as an Assistant Scoutmaster for one of the Pine Tree Council's troops! I have looked forward to this event. Along with the 80 other Scouts and Scouters attending from the PTC! The 2010 National Jamboree is sure to be a highlight of my scouting career and I hope that you have some of your own highlights this summer!

I hope that all of our packs and troops attend one of our camp programs this summer and enjoy all that summer camp has to offer!. Attending summer camp helps our youth put to use the tools of life that the leaders have been teaching them all year long. They get to practice the patrol method and buddy system, use the knots and skills they have been taught, learn new games, earn advancement and much more. Studies show that Scouts that attend summer camp programs also return to scouting in the fall which is what we want!

2010 is the 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, and plans are in full force for our 100th anniversary celebration at "Scout Fest 2010" which is to be held in October at the Windsor Fairgrounds! Every Scout and family in the Pine Tree Council should be planning for this event! It will knock your socks off! I hope to see you there!

I am pleased to be part of such an organization that teaches our youth and adults these values and can honestly say that Scouting has changed my life for the better!

Yours in Scouting,

Pete

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Pine Tree Explorer Golf Tournament

The Sixth Annual Pine Tree Council Exploring Golf Tournament will be held September 14th at the Prouts Neck Country Club.

This event is hosted annually by the Pine Tree Council to provide a premier golfing experience while financially supporting local Exploring programs of southern and central Maine. Specifically, dollars raised benefit help to provide financial assistance to young men and women who otherwise might not be able to participate in Exploring.

Sponsorship levels are Gold (\$750) which includes a Foursome, Tee Box sign and lunch, and Silver (\$500) which includes a Foursome and lunch, and individual Tee Box signs can be purchased for \$250.

For information on how you can take part call Bryan Thomas at 797-5252 ext. 25.



Scout Fest 2010

“Reflections of the Past ~ Visions of the Future”

October 8th – 10th

Windsor Fairgrounds

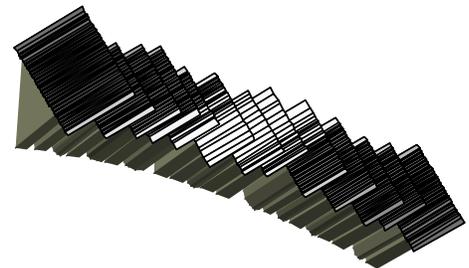
Trailblazer Day

LL Bean Discovery Schools

Come celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America! This milestone will bring together the best of the Scouting Community to mark this special event. Something for all ages! Onsite camping for all Scouting units– Troops, Packs, Explorers and Venturing Crews

Scouting Idol

SCUBA



Activities planned include:

Merit Badge Midway

Webelos Activity Pins

Hooked on Fishing

Trailblazer Day

Cub Scout Sports & Academic Beltloops

Whit'lin chit

Leave No Trace

Geocache

Climbing Walls

Laser Shooting

Live Entertainment

Archery & Tomahawks

Laser Rifle

Planetarium

Air Guitar

Military Rock Band

Seat Belt Convincer

Obstacle Course

Fitness Course

Military Equipment

SCUBA

Scouting Idol

Stage Shows

Scouting Memorabilia

& Much More!!!

FunPack Weekends

There is no better way to enjoy the outdoor program of Cub Scouting than to attend one of our popular FunPack Weekends. Each weekend offers a great opportunity to experience the excitement of overnight camping with your son.

2010 FunPack Theme

Our Theme for FunPacks will be "Treasure Island Adventures"!!! FunPack Weekends will travel to visit different ports of call along the wild seas with lots of fun activities along with the chance to explore the great outdoors, learn new skills and enjoy being a kid! Our Saturday evening campfire will be filled with super island fun and lots of special guest pirates, so bring your "Pirates or Treasure Island Costume" and join the staff for lots of fun!



A GREAT PACK ACTIVITY!

Our purpose for the FunPack Weekend is to provide an environment to strengthen the parent/child relationship and introduce you to the fun and adventure of camping. Most Cub Scout Packs choose a particular weekend or weekends to attend and register together as a pack. Use this activity to qualify for the Summertime Pack Award or the Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award!

Sorry, but due to space restrictions, siblings are not allowed at FunPacks!

Camp will provide the campsites with tents and cots along with a great program! The pack is responsible for food and cooking at all FunPack Weekends. Most packs find that this can be a very fun activity in itself. During the day, you will experience exciting activities! Enjoy your time at the Craftshop, BB & archery ranges, swimming, sports, nature hikes and games! As evening comes wind down with a quiet campfire and enjoy the fellowship of your pack in your site. Marshmallows and s'mores are a must!

A FPW Leaders Guide is on our wweb site at www.pinetreebsa.org. The guide gives information on arrival times, what to bring, health forms, daily schedule and directions to camp!

2010 FunPack Weekend

Dates & Locations

July 10 & 11	Camp Hinds
July 17 & 18	Camp Hinds
July 24 & 25	Camp Hinds
July 31 & Aug 1	Camp Hinds
Aug 7 & 8	Camp Hinds
Aug 14 & 15	Camp Hinds

Pine Tree Council's Newest Employees



Adam Corzatt—Downeast District's New District Executive

Adam is a native of the Pacific Northwest, having been born and raised in Portland, Oregon. For most of the past decade, he has been pursuing an education in music, earning a Bachelor of Music degree in Trombone Performance from the University of Oregon, and a Master of Arts degree in Music History from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio.

Adam has been a lifelong scout, beginning as a Tiger Cub and continuing on to earn Eagle in December of 2000. A passion for Scouting led Adam to get his first job, at the age of 14, working as "Nature Boy" at the Cascade Pacific Council's Camp Discovery. Later Scout camp adventures include one particularly memorable summer working as a cook and lead baker at Camp Meriwether on the Oregon Coast feeding 600 campers nightly. In his spare time, Adam has been known to partake of a variety of activities such as restoring an old Volkswagen Beetle, going on spur of the moment 50 mile bike rides, spending countless hours reading, building a model railroad layout, playing the banjo and bagpipes, and even listening to an occasional German polka band record.

We welcome Adam to our team at the Pine Tree Council!

Pine Tree Council extends a warm welcome to Cathie Paradis, who goes by Katie to our team as our Bookkeeper Specialist!

Katie is a CPA who lives in Scarborough with her husband and three children and come to the PTC with a strong background in accounting!

Welcome Katie!



PINE TREE COUNCIL PHILMONT TREK 2011

Pine Tree Council Philmont Trek 2011: As in 2009, the Pine Tree Council will be sending a contingent of Scouts and Scouters to the Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, NM in 2011. We will be sending 24 participants including leaders on the trek from **June 25-July 11, 2011**. Participants must be in good physical shape and be at least 14 years of age by January 1, 2011.

Our trek will be a backpacking expedition for 12 days and nights through the Sangre de Cristo Mountains of Philmont Scout Ranch ranging in elevation up to 12,441 feet. Discover the wonder of this scouting paradise by traveling with the Pine Tree Council contingent.

A deposit of \$100.00 per person is required to secure a reservation for this trek ASAP If you want a spot!

For more information, please contact Cathy Gosselin, PTC Philmont contingent advisor at 797-5252 ext. 14.

Mandatory Youth Protection Training -

As of June 1st, 2010 any registered leader with a scouting unit MUST have current Youth Protection Training. This includes ANY leader registered with the unit except the Chartering Organization Head. In September of 2010, every unit in the Pine Tree Council will receive their Annual Recharter Packets. Each unit will be, from 2010 onward, rechartering their unit in the month of December.

Your unit WILL NOT be able to register any leader who has not completed Youth Protection Training this December, 2010 and your unit will not be able to re-charter unless you have the minimum number of leaders Youth Protection Trained. What you need for re-charter is as follows –

Committee Chairman
Chartering Organization Head
Chartering Organization Rep.
Member of Committee #1
Member of Committee #2
Den Leader (Pack's Only)
Cub Master/Scout Master/Venture Crew Leader

There are many ways you can get all of your leaders trained in Youth Protection by December, 2010.

Please contact your District Training Team, Commissioner Staff, or District Executive to take advantage of any of these opportunities/methods to receive training

– Take the training Online VIA

www.myscouting.org. Print the certificate at the end of the training and submit it with your charter, and you keep a copy for your records.

Have a Pack Trainer, Commissioner, or District Training Team Member visit your unit and train your leaders in Youth Protection. Make sure you fill out a Training Attendance Record and attach a copy of the Training Attendance Record to your charter, and keep a copy for the unit.

Attend a Council or District Training this fall and receive Youth Protection Training. Attach a photocopy of the Trained Card you will receive to your charter.

Be advised that any NEW leader that your unit wishes to register must ALSO take Youth Protection Training and attach a copy of the completed training to their application before they will be accepted into the or-

ganization. New leaders can take training by visiting www.myscouting.org and create an account WITH OUT a membership ID number. This function will allow a new leader access to the Youth Protection Training only, and they must print off a copy of their certificate after completion and attach it to their application – and keep a copy for the unit.

This new policy is our way of doing all that we can to ensure that the leaders we are accepting to work with our youth are of the highest caliber. We understand that as we implement this new policy this fall that we will need to be patient and flexible in order to make the rechartering process this December a success. DO NOT WAIT until December to get your leadership trained in Youth Protection. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ask a District Trainer, Commissioner, or your District Executive for help. There are many ways to train your leaders, you just need to ask for help when you need it.

www.myscouting.org is a wonderful resource and the quickest way to get your leaders trained. Make sure they have their membership ID number and encourage them to take the training online this summer. Ask for copies of their training certificates and keep them on file with your unit.

Thank you all for your cooperation and patience.

Commissioner Rechartering Training

On August 14th Pine Tree Council Commissioner, Clinton Staples, will be holding a Rechartering Training for all Commissioners. The goal of the training is to ensure that all Commissioners understand each part of the process, and the roll that they play in the process. With our 2010 Rechartering happening all in December it is going to absolutely critical that we hit the ground running this fall in order to have a successful Rechartering season. More details on the training and the location will be announced soon. All Commissioners should mark their calendars and plan on attending.



PTC 2010 National Jamboree Troop Gateway's





Sea Adventures ~ 2010 Day Camps
Come join your Cub Scout mates' and meet the
Pirates of the Sea!

Special events each week celebrating the
100th anniversary of the BSA!

Day Camps –run 8:30 to 4:30 and give your son a chance to see the Cub Scout program come alive during the summer at many locations throughout the council. Sports, BB's, archery, nature, crafts, water fun and much more will happen on your island adventures! Don't miss the best week of the summer!



2010 Cub Day Camp Dates & Locations:

Abnaki District:

Camp Gustin Aug 2 - 6

Casco Bay District:

Camp Hinds – July 26 – 30
Pride's Corner School- Westbrook –
July 19 - 23

Downeast District:

Union Fair – July 12 – 16
Topsham Fair – July 19 - 23

Kennebec Valley District:

Camp Bomazeen - Aug 2 - 6

York District:

Camp Nutter - July 12 - 16



Day Camp Fees ~ \$125 per week

Early bird discounts - Camp fee only \$100 if paid
in full by June 1st

Adult volunteers needed to help man
the pirate ships at camp! Parents -
volunteer for a week, your child goes
for only \$15 and you'll have fun with
us! Tot-lot care available for staff's
younger children!

Visit - www.pinetreebsa.org

for more camp information and registration forms



2010 Popcorn Sale Updates

In order to ensure a great sale in 2010, please be aware of the following resources and activities designed to support your unit –

Visit the 2010 Popcorn Facebook Page for Pine Tree Council and become a member. We will be posting tips, ideas, resources, and dates on this page beginning in July. It is also intended to be a tool for units to use to talk to each other, share ideas, and ask questions. You can reach the page by going to WWW.Pinetreetsa.org and clicking on the “Popcorn Facebook” button at the top of the page.

Each unit will be receiving a Popcorn Kick Off Kit and Leader Playbook this year (with sales dates and contact information). They should be in the office during the month of July. When the kits arrive all the units on our E-mail list will be contacted. If you can not pick up your kit at the office, they will be available at your District Program Launch this August. Please contact your District Leadership for more information on the date, time, and location of your program launch.

If you want to be added to the Popcorn E-Mail List, go to www.Trails-End.com and update your unit’s profile information, with an accurate e-mail address.

Flyers for the 2010 Sale will be mailed to each Scout during the first week of August. They may begin selling popcorn once they receive their flyer. Don’t forget about the Online Sales resource for Scouts to use as well.

Hold a Popcorn Sale Planning meeting this summer. Figure out what you need to raise for funds to do programming in 2010, break that number into a per-scout goal, and plan from there. Once you know what you need it is easier to make a plan to reach that amount. Your District Popcorn Kernel and District Executive are both available to help you with this process.

Unit Show and Sell Orders will be due to the council by August 27th by 5 pm. Please keep this date in mind.

BEASCOUT on www.Myscouting.org –

From 2010 onward perspective scouting families will be able to visit www.scouting.org and find a local unit by simply doing a search by their ZIP Code. The result of the search will be a google map of their town with the meeting locations of each of the local units marked by a pin on the map. When the family scrolls their mouse cursor over the pin, what will pop up will be the contact information, meeting location, time, etc. Of the unit in question. The family will then be able to contact the unit that best meets their needs VIA an e-mail or phone, and it is the unit leader listed on the pin will receive these requests automatically.

In order for this to work, the information for your unit that is listed must be accurate. Right now what is listed in the phone number and name of your Scout Master, Cub Master, or Venture Crew Leader – and that is based upon what is on record in the ScoutNet system. Each unit should access their unit’s information for BEASCOUT and update it by the 2nd week in August, 2010 in preparation for the fall. To do this, the unit must do the following steps (right now only the Scout Master, Cub Master, or Venture Crew Leader can access the BEASCOUT account for your unit. Once they go into the system for the first time, they can add and change the folks who can access and maintain the account from that point forward) –

Go to www.myscouting.org and sign into your account. If you don’t have an account, you need to create one.

Click on the BEASCOUT tab on the left side of the page.

Click on the MANAGE UNIT PIN tab at the top of the page.

Make the changes you need to in order to update the page and save the file.

This tool is designed as a resource for your unit to take advantage of. You can customize your unit’s icon, post updates, etc. Play around with the sight and become comfortable with it.

If you run into problems, please contact your DE for further assistance.

PTC News

2010 Youth Law Enforcement Academy

They came from as far north as Dover-Foxcroft, and as far south as Lebanon to attend the 18th Youth Law Enforcement Academy at the Maine State Police Training Center in Vassalboro. This year twenty-nine young men and women graduated from the intense and rewarding program. All had great things to say about the program, and a week's worth of memories they will cherish forever. Most who attended also expressed their interest in pursuing Law Enforcement as a career as a result of their week-long experience.

From practicing traffic stops to the F.A.T.S. (Firearms Training System) machine, the youth learned the ins and outs of Law Enforcement. The Academy concluded on Friday with the youth getting a chance to show off the marching they had learned for their parents followed by a graduation ceremony.

None of this could have been possible without the support of the Maine State Police, this year's Cadre, Assistant Course Director Deputy Randy Williams, and Course Director, Trooper Michael Chavez. Thank you very much and congratulations on another great year.



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 week-end- 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.pinetreebsa.org



SCOUT NIGHT AT THE SEA DOGS

Saturday, September 4th, come see the Sea Dogs vs. New Hampshire Fisher Cats. Admission to the game is \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for youth (16 and under). Scouts can purchase a Portland Sea Dogs BSA hat for \$10.00 while at the game. Game starts at 6:00 pm with gates opening at 4:30pm. Registration must be received by Monday, August 30th.



PINE TREE COUNCIL ~ COUNCIL CAMPING AWARD

The Pine Tree Council ~ Council Camping Award was established to promote the use of the camping facilities at the Pine Tree Council Camps and to recognize those units that utilize at least four camps in their yearly program.

To qualify for the Council Camping Award a unit will need to have utilized 4 of the Pine Tree Council camps for a unit activity during a consecutive 12-month period. Activities must be for at least a 24-hour period, and each activity must be attended by no less than 25% of the registered youth in the unit.

Each unit that qualifies for the award will receive certificate for their unit. A special patch is available for members of the qualifying unit if they attended all the 4 unit camping activities! The Camping Award application form is available on the web site www.pinetreebsa.org



AREA SEA SCOUT UNIT HELPS COAST GUARD WITH "PARADE OF LIGHTS"

South Portland—Several Scouts from local Sea Scout Ship #12 spent part of a very cold and blustery day Saturday (Dec. 12) helping to decorate the USCG Cutter Shackle for the annual holiday "Parade of Lights" in Portland harbor.

The Scouts have done this for the past three years to help thank the Coast Guard.

The Coast Guard has been very helpful to the Sea Scouts, providing various training sessions, on-board time on USCG ships, space for meetings, water safety advice and more.

The Shackle is a 65-foot icebreaking harbor tug that can perform multiple missions for the Coast Guard.

Sea Scout Ship #12 is chartered by the South Portland/Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club and serves young people ages 14-20 from the southern Maine area. Their leader is "Skipper" Steve Price, who may be contacted for more information at 885-9176.



Webelos 2010

Resident Camp

Webelos are you ready to try overnight camping? Pine Tree Council, B.S.A. offers a Webelos Resident Camp at Camp Hinds in Raymond! Resident camp gives the Webelos a 4 day/night program designed especially for them and is available for our 4th and 5th graders.

2010 Webelos Dates

4 Day/Night Resident Camp Program

Session 1 Aug. 15 – 18

Session 2 Aug. 18 – 21

How to go to Camp?

Den Camping

Most Webelos Dens go to summer camp with their own leadership. This is a great way for Scouts to attend summer camp and build lasting relationships, while enjoying camp with their own leadership.

Provisional Camping

A provisional camper is when a youth comes as an individual without his unit. In this case, the Pine Tree Council's camp staff provides leadership. This is a great opportunity to make new friends and to experience some of the Webelos programs.

Cost for Webelos Resident Camp

\$160.00 per Scout

add \$10 if attending as provisional
\$20.00 early bird discount if paid in full
by June 1, 2010

2 Adult leaders come free for the first 5 Webelos in a den. 1 Free leader for each additional 5 Scouts! Extra leaders and Den chiefs are \$45 each.

What is Webelos Resident Camp?

Archery	Crafts
Games	Sports
Scout Skills	First Aid
Swimming	Ecology
BB Guns	Boating
Fishing	Campfires
Songs & Skits	Trading Post
New Friends	Lots of Fun!

2010 Webelos Advancement

Activity Badges and advancement are earned with parents and den leaders, however some of the activity badges & advancements being highlighted this year at camp include:

“Naturalist “Outdoorsman “Aquanaut
“Readyman “Craftsman “Boating
“BB & Archery Beltloops
“Leave No Trace

Join us at camp for
“A Pirates Life Aboard the
Ghost Ship Hinds”



Abnaki District

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

Abnaki District FunPack Weekend - is going to be August 14th & 15th at Camp Hinds. Save the day and start preparing for this great event now. Look for more information in this spot in the weeks to come. MJ is looking for volunteers to staff the weekend. We need to have a good showing of Abnaki volunteers to support MJ and let the other Districts know that know how to run program. For more information about staff opportunities, please contact Tony Bessey at abessey@bsamail.org

A Big Thank You to the Roundtable Commissioners and their staff for putting such an outstanding program.

A Reminder about Youth Protection.

A note that if an individual is not up-to-date with their Youth Protection and they submit an application due to changing of positions that a Youth Protection Certificate is required also.

Mandatory Commissioner Training for all Commissioners that have not taken a course since 2008. If you should know of someone who you think would be a good candidate to become a Unit Commissioner, please contact Clyde E Cavender, Abnaki District Commissioner either via email: ccavender1@roadrunner.com or via cell phone: 504-0450

Program Launch is coming up soon 8/11/2010 at Camp Gustin, we encourage every unit to attend to gather information about upcoming events, changes in Cub Scout Program. We will be covering Council Program, Popcorn Kickoff, FOS and important membership dates for the 2010 fall recruit. Commissioners will meet at 6:30 pm with the Program launch to start at 7 pm.

Congratulations to all of the Scouters (young and old) that have been tapped out for the Order of the Arrow. In Order to have a strong District Lodge it is important that you attend the Roundtables, they are scheduled for every
second Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm at the Auburn Middle School

The Pine Tree Council Boy Scouts of America, rents out our camps for year-round use for all Scouting units. You can rent a campsite, cabin or the Messer Training Center Lodge for an outing of your pack, den, youth group or families. This is a great opportunity, at very reasonable prices, for your patrol or troop to plan a weekend away.

When you rent a building or campsite you can also use the grounds of the camp! Plan a weekend of canoeing, working on merit badges, winter camping, fishing, outdoor skills or just fun!!

To sign-up for a facility, call Kathy Higgins at PTC @ 797-5252 x 32 to find out availability and reserve your site, then submit a property use form with payment of rental fees. Reservations for campsites and buildings will be based on listed capacity. **If your group is larger** than the capacity of the building or site, **you will need to rent more facilities** to meet your groups needs.

**Reservations through the fall of 2010 are available now.
Reservations for the 2011 calendar year will open Sept. 1, 2010.
WEEKEND CAMP RENTAL RATES (Friday through Sunday)**

CAMP HINDS located in Raymond	CAMP CAPACITY	Pine Tree Council Scout Groups	OUT OF COUNCIL & NON-SCOUT GROUPS
TRAINING CENTER (includes showers, commercial kitchen, sleeping bays and meeting rooms)	45	\$350.00	\$600.00
CADIGAN CABIN	28	\$65.00	\$125.00
BATES CABIN	16	\$50.00	\$110.00
TENNY CABIN & 12 Lean To's	8 + 24	\$60.00	\$125.00
TABOR PAVILION (Picnic Area)	N/A	\$25.00	\$50.00
14 CAMP SITES (Fee for up to 20 people)	20	\$30.00	\$40.00
Additional Campsites needed for more people!			
CAMP BOMAZEEN located in N. Belgrade			
McCURDY LODGE	28	\$65.00	\$125.00
PAVILION CABIN	16	\$50.00	\$110.00
8 CAMP SITES (Fee for up to 20 people)	20	\$30.00	\$40.00
Additional Campsites needed for more people!			
CAMP NUTTER located in Acton			
BADEN POWELL CABIN	20	\$65.00	\$125.00
SETON CABIN	10	\$40.00	\$90.00
15 CAMP SITES (Fee for up to 20 people)	20	\$30.00	\$40.00
Additional Campsites needed for more people!			
CAMP GUSTIN located in Sabattus			
12 CAMP SITES (Fee for up to 20 people)	20	\$30.00	\$40.00
**Additional Campsites needed for more people!			

Downeast District

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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.

The Cub Scout Program Delivery Method Has Changed!

Don't worry; the program itself is still the same, the change is simply based on how the current Cub Scout Handbook materials are being presented. Now, there is a stronger focus on Den Meeting activities which has proven successful at getting the kids to move toward advancement more smoothly. Coupled with that, the new delivery method has shown a higher retention rate for the scouts, so more Cubs are moving up into the Troop. For more information, please visit the National Scouting Web-site.

<http://scouting.org/scoutsource/CubScouts/Leaders/NewDeliveryMethod.aspx>

Program Launch

With the start of a new school year comes the start of a new Scouting season. To kick-off this season in all its splendor, we will be having a Program Launch at Sherman Lake Park (the rest area on Route 1 between Wiscasset and Damariscotta). This is the time to meet new people and get the latest information on the Scouting Program, Training, Advancement, Events and more. The Launch is scheduled for Wednesday August 11th at 7 o'clock in the evening. This date coincides with the date and time for the regular Round Table meetings which will start up again in September and continue through the year on the second Wednesday of each month. More on regular District meetings and events can be found on the District Web-Site's Event Calendar: <http://www.downeastdistrict.org/event>

District Chair Stepping Down

After a great run working with the Downeast District as the District Chair, Mike Marriner will be stepping down from his position. We would like to say "Thank You" to Mike for all of his hard work and we hope that he will continue to show his support for the Scouting Movement as he is able. The District is organizing a nominating committee to fill the position as soon as possible, in an effort to make the transition as smooth and seamless as possible.

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

Downeast Has A New District Executive

After six months of Field Director Matt Randall filling in as District Executive following Steve Saucier's move to York District in January, the Downeast District has finally found a new District Executive. Welcome to Adam Corzatt.

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.

Casco Bay District

PROGRAM LAUNCH

For information on fall recruitment, council & district activities, trainings, popcorn & and much much more come out to our annual District Program Launch. Each unit should send at least one representative, but the more the merrier!

?? At the Camp Hinds Training Center

?? Wednesday, August 4th

?? 6-7pm Potluck Supper and 7pm Program

FALL CUB SCOUT SIGN-UPS

Even though summer vacation just begun it's not too early to start planning your pack's fall sign-up night.

We would like as many packs as possible send us the following information by our August 4th Program Launch...

1. Sign-up date, time and location
2. Contact name and phone number
3. What you need for flyers

Even if you don't need us to make you flyers please still let us know about your fall sign up efforts so we can be ready to help potential Scouts in your community find your pack if they contact us.

While we know some packs just won't be able to get us dates until later, whatever we can get by August 4th will give us plenty of time to start getting flyers together. With 5 district using our office to put out tens of thousands of flyers going to hundreds of units the more lead time you can give us the better.

Some things to consider for a fall recruitment night...

- If possible try to have it be it's own meeting or event so you can have time to meet with new families and talk to them about your pack
- Events such as school openhouses or fairs offer great opportunities to promote your pack BUT do not take the place of a good sign-up meeting
- You're not just recruiting Scouts but parents too, have adult applications and a list of jobs you're looking for help with
- On flyers offer just the start time (and not the end time). It's easier to get parents all the info they need when they're not coming in at different times.

Please forward your date to Bruce and Sherry Beety at 838-4032 or brbeety@fairpoint.net or Matt Mower at 797-5252 ext 23 or mmower@bsamail.org

MAINE ACE CAMPS

***Note that even though the Portland camp is meeting out of the Pine Tree Council office you need to register with the contacts listed for the specific events. Please direct all questions to those contacts.

The FAA will be hosting two ACE Academies for young people interested in Aviation: One in Portland for 10-12 year olds (co-ed) on July 26-30 and one in Bangor for 13-17 year olds on August 1-7. The Camp in Portland is during the day and costs \$250. The Camp in Bangor is \$595 and students stay at Eastern Maine Community College for the week.

ACE Academies are summer educational programs for middle and high school students that can last from one day to one week. ACE Academies are co-sponsored by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) along with many other organizations. More information for both camps can be found at...

<http://www.maineacecamp.com/> <<http://www.maineacecamp.com/>>

DISTRICT E-NEWS

Every week we send out an electronic newsletter including important Scouting information for the district, council & beyond. Anybody can sign-up. Send Matt Mower an email at mmower@bsamail.org asking to be put on the list.

K-Valley 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

K-VALLEY SCOUTING E-NEWS (Loads of useful info!) Send an email to Scott Bernier at moxieman@zwi.net asking to be put on the list.

K-VALLEY Web-Site (Loads of useful info!) <http://kv-scouts.org/>

NEW CUB SCOUT PROGRAM DELIVERY METHOD (Lesson plans you can use to help Cub Scouts earn advancement) <http://scouting.org/scoutsource/CubScouts.aspx>

District Event Thank You's:

We would like to thank all the individuals and units who helped sponsor District events recently including; K-Valley District Spring Camporee, May 21 – 23, 2010 @ Clinton Fair Grounds, & K-Valley Tiger Fun Day, June 12, 2010 @ Old Fort Western & Kennebec Celebration. Everyone enjoyed the program at each of these events. Thank you for making it possible.

Planning Ahead for 2010-2011 in K-Valley District:

The K-Valley District Leadership team is committed to excellence as evidenced by the recent Leadership Summit hosted by Rick Denico @ Northcenter in Augusta. In place of a June Round Table it was decided to conduct a brain-storming and problem-solving session for each individual District sub-committee. We enjoyed a great meal, a time of fellowship and discussion and created several focus points for each sub-committee to work on over the summer. Many thanks to our host for providing this excellent opportunity at no cost to the individual participants!

Up-coming K-Valley District Events:

ScoutFest in our backyard! Don't miss the opportunity to fully participate in this year's 100th Anniversary ScoutFest at the Windsor Fair Grounds. This will be a once-in-a-lifetime chance to celebrate Scouting like never before. Look for more information on the Council Web-site.

We are looking to secure our hosts for all of the major events for 2011 including: Klondike Derby, Spring and Fall Camporees, Pine-wood Derby, and several other Cub Scout District Events. If you have any suggestions or ideas please contact: Karen Douglas (207) 623-7298 or kdouglas@augustaschools.org

Round Table:

K-Valley District Round Tables will officially begin again in September, but don't miss the Program Launch in August where your Unit will receive all the latest information about Program, Training, Advancement & Recognition, Activities & Civic Service, Camping & Outdoor Program opportunities. This Program Kick-off is slated for August 11th @ Camp Bomazeen but watch the K-Valley website for possible changes: <http://kv-scouts.org/calendar.aspx>

K-Valley Commissioners:

We are always looking to improve our Unit Service through our Commissioning Staff. *Congratulations* to those who have been promoted to Assistant District Commissioner and *Welcome* to all the Unit Commissioners who have recently joined our staff. It is a pleasure to work with such dedicated individuals. If you are interested or want to learn more contact District Commissioner Charlie Ferguson at 549-7751 or Chuckemian@aol.com.

Thank you to all our Volunteers!

Thank you to our District Committee, Commissioner Staff, and Unit Volunteers for all you do to make Scouting possible. Our Future Is In Their Hands! Keep up the excellent work!

York District

Cub Scout Recruiting Training

On August 12 at 6:30 PM at the Sanford First Baptist Church the York District Membership Committee will be hosting a Training to help all packs recruit more Cub Scouts. Things that will be covered in this training will include, how to get youth to show up to your sign-up night, How to hold a successful sign-up, How to get more adults involved in your program, what Boy Scout Troops should be doing to help out the Cub Scout Packs, and Cub Scout retention.

Who should attend? Pack Membership Chairs, Cub Masters, Committee Chairs, Den Leaders, Scout Masters, and any other interested adults.

If you provide Steve Saucier with the following information we will have your pack's recruiting material ready for you that night, Sign-up date, Time, location, Contact person, and number of fliers.

Day Camp and Funpack Weekend Volunteers

Thank you to Diana Vermette, Jay Ferrill, Tracy Grogan and the staffs of York District Day Camp and the York district hosted Fun Pack Weekend. These programs would not be possible with out your commitment to provide excellent programs to your Scouts.

August Roundtable

We will have the popcorn kits for every unit at the August roundtable. Come pick up your Kit to ensure a great fall popcorn sale. All your questions about the popcorn sale can be answered that night. Encourage all your leaders to attend Roundtables.

Tribute Funds

Your gift to the Tribute Fund is your recognition of a special occasion and/ or person. It can be used to recognize a job promotion, presentation of the Eagle Award or the Silver Beaver, to honor an outstanding Scout leader, or in memory of a family member or good friend.

Recent Tribute Donations received:

In memory of Avis Conley:

Town of Freeport
Steven Strawderman
Paula Ward
Betty Philbrick
Charlotte Emmans

In memory of Laverne Burt:

Lynelle Philbrick

In memory of James Johns:

Paula Anderson
Stephen Pappas

Please mail your tributes to:

Pine Tree Council, BSA c/o Tribute Funds, 131 Johnson Road, Portland, ME

04102. Please be sure to include contact information for your honoree and for yourself so that recognition may be made.



Individual tribute gifts, unless otherwise designated, are placed in the councils' endowment fund as a perpetual source



Madockawanda Lodge Makes Annual Gift to the Pine Tree Council

Each year the council Order of the Arrow Madockawanda Lodge makes a contribution a contribution of support to the Annual Friends of Scouting Campaign. This year, Lodge Chief Matt Allaire presented the Council with a gift of \$1,184 at the March meeting of the Council Board of Directors. Pictured are Tony Rogers, Scout Executive; Matt Allaire, Lodge Chief; and Peter Ventre, Council President.



Special recognition and thanks to Jacob Moorman who recently became a James E. West recipient for the Pine Tree Council! Your support is appreciated!

The James E. West Fellowship Award is for individuals who donate \$1000 to the council's endowment fund. James E. West was the first Scout Executive for the Boy Scouts of America.

Shown receiving his James E West Award is Jacob Moorman, center, with Jen Mogavero, PTC VP of Planned Development and Tony Rogers, Scout Executive.

