Welcome to the new electronic format of the Pine Spills, the official newsletter of the Pine Tree Council. In hopes to keep all Scouts and families more informed with an easy format and up-to-date information on events and activities happening within the council, we will be publishing the Pine Spills newsletters' every month and dispersing it to all of our Scout leaders and families electronically! It will also be posted on our website.

To keep the newsletter short and to the point—more information about all of our activities, registration forms and district information can be found on our web site or by calling PTC at 797-5252.

We ask all Scout leaders to encourage their families to sign up for the Pine Spills on our website at www.pinetreebsa.org.

Join us on the first ever High Adventure Kodiak on Warren Island in Penobscot Bay. Kodiak is a hands-on Venturing-level activity. You’ll be part of a windjammer ship’s crew, stand watches, take the helm, haul away on sheets and halyards, while sailing on Penobscot Bay!! Kodiak is also hands-on leadership training. The five “Commissions”, or courses, will cover Effective Teams, Values & Visions, Communications, Decision Making, and Planning.

Open to all male and female Scouts ages 14 and up, the course is August 21 – 27, 2011. Sign up now or you miss the boat!

Cost is a mere $270 for 7 days, 6 nights!

SEA DOGS SLEEP OVER JUNE 11
Don’t miss out on this exclusive, Scouts & family ONLY, opportunity to camp out at Hadlock Field.

June 11th Sleep Over at the Sea Dogs!
Please wear your Scouting uniform!

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

- Admission to the June 11th game – Sea Dogs vs. Bowie Baysox
- PG-Rated movie after game on the Ford JumboTron
- Overnight on the field!!! (Weather permitting)
- A Portland Sea Dogs water bottle with BSA Emblem

What a Difference a Day Makes!
A HUGE thank-you to all the units and volunteers that helped at our recent Beaver Days held at Camps Bomazeen, Gustin, Nutter and Hinds!!!

Over 500 Scouts and families have helped out with the brush clean-up from the recent logging activities and in one day at each camp– made a huge difference!

More help is still needed– Sign up for a Beaver Day at Camp Hinds on May 21st!

Call 797-5252 x 14 to

PTC Dates of Upcoming Events:

- May 21 Tiger & Family Fun Days @ Camps Nutter, Gustin and Bomazeen
- May 21 – Beaver Day at Camp Hinds
- June 11th – Sleep over at the Sea Dogs
- June 20-24 Law Enforcement Academy
- June 26—July 1 NYLT
- July—August—Summer Camp for all Scouts!! Check our website for dates and registration forms!
**PTC Activities and Events:**

**Summer Reading Series**

Check out the Scout Shop Summer Reading Series! Starting May 1st in Scout Shops nationwide, buy any 5 titles included on the official summer reading series list and get a $5 gift card! Keep your Scout sharp this summer with titles ranging from early to advanced reader books! After reading five books from the series, you will receive a $5 Scout Shop Gift Card to be used on their next purchase. Program will run from 5/1 – 8/31. Lots of great books to choose from at a great price!

**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. Our thanks to: Levi Ross, Robert Thorpe, Mary Proulx, Joyce Price and Davis Richardson for their recent contributions to the fund.

**National Youth Leadership Conference**

The National Youth Leadership Conference is scheduled for June 26- July 1 at Camp Hinds. NYLT is designed for the youth leadership of troops to help strengthen their leadership skills and give them the knowledge they need to run the troop! For more info contact NYLT SM Jim Thomas at 829-9235 or jht@maine.rr.com

**PTC Funtown / Splashtown Tickets**

Available now at PTC until August 31st or until the tickets have all been sold Pine Tree Council will have discounted Funtown Splashtown tickets for sale. Tickets are priced as follows:

- **Combo Pass $25.00**
- **Funtown Only: $20.00**
- **Splashtown Only: $18.00**

**Youth Law Enforcement Academy**

June 20—June 24, 2011

This year’s academy will be at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in Vassalboro, Maine.

The $275.00 fee covers meals, lodging, two T-shirts, ball cap, materials and insurance.

There is a class size limitation of 55 participants so be sure to register early. This is a program for high school-aged men and women that have a serious interest in a law enforcement career and is in no way a boot camp! Call PTC 797-5252 for more info.

**PTC Summer Camp Dates & Programs**

**Camp William Hinds—Boy Scout Resident Camp 2011**

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- **PTC National Scout Shop at the PTC Service Center**
  - Scout Shop Store Hours: Monday to Friday 9:30 AM—6 PM open late until 8 PM on Thursday
  - Saturday hours 9:30 AM—3 PM
  - Toll Free: 1-877-782-7467
  - Fax (207)541-3953

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**“A week of camp life is worth six months of theoretical teaching in the meeting room.”**
Cub Scout FunPack Weekends at Camp Hinds
July 9 & 10
July 16 & 17
July 23 & 24
July 30 & 31
Aug 6 & 7
Aug. 13 & 14
The FunPack Weekend Fee is $25 per person

Webelos Resident Camp
4 Days & 3 Nights Resident Camp Program At Camp Hinds
Session 1 Aug. 14 – 17
Session 2 Aug. 17 – 20
Join us for an Archaeological Adventure!
All Webelos Families!
Check with their pack and Webelos leaders to see if your den is planning on attending camp as a group! Many packs will join the 1st and 2nd year Webelos into one den together at camp.

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.

A GREAT PACK ACTIVITY!
Most Cub Scout Packs choose a particular weekend or weekends to attend and register together as a pack. Or a parent and son can come on their own!

Camp will provide the campsites with tents and cots along with a great program! The group brings their food and does the cooking! 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!

"Discovery of the Dinosaurs” 2011 Day Camps

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 as you discover the giant legends of the past! Don’t miss the best week of the summer!

Come join your fellow Cub Scout paleontologist and follow us back in time to the age of the dinosaur!

2011 Cub Scout Day Camp Dates & Locations:
Abnaki – Camp Gustin - Aug. 1 - 5
Casco Bay @ Camp Hinds-July 25 - 29
Casco Bay @ Wassamaki Springs in Scarborough –July 18 - 22
Downeast – Lake Pemaquid Camp in Damariscotta—July 18 - 22
K-Valley @ Bomazeen - July 25 - 29
York @ Camp Nutter - July 11 - 15

Visit -
www.pinetreebsa.org
for more camp information and registration forms