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## **POPCORN AND PEANUTS**

A reminder that popcorn orders are due in the office by Friday, November 5. Product Pickup this year will be at the United Refining Warehouse on Fourth Street in Warren (same place as always) on November 19 from 9 AM until 3 PM. If you are absolutely unable to pick up your product between those times, please call in advance to let us know. The payment-due date is December 10. Reports coming in sound very promising!

## **INTRODUCING MARTY**

It's with great enthusiasm and high hopes that we welcome Marty Yucha to the staff of the Chief Cornplanter Council. Marty will be joining us as the new Ranger for Camp Olmsted. Marty brings a wealth of experience along with him and we hope for a long, successful relationship with him as Camp Ranger.



## **LODGES AT CAMP**

As you probably saw or have heard, we will be constructing Lodge Buildings in each campsite at Camp Olmsted in the near future. To date we have secured funds from generous contributors to fund the construction of at least 12 of them. These lodges will sleep 8 individuals. This means that we will be able to eliminate or relocate 48 of our current platforms! It will also eliminate us from having to purchase new canvas, every 5 years or so, at a substantial cost. Will we be replacing all canvas? No, at least not in the short term. Some troops or Scouts may still wish to camp under canvas on a wet thunderstormy kind of night, but the new Lodges will shelter many boys at Camp Olmsted for many years to come. Our thanks to those who supported this important effort. We hope that everyone enjoys the new Lodges.

## **GIVING THANKS**

From the staff of the Chief Cornplanter Council, we wish all of our Scouting friends and families a very Happy Thanksgiving and we thank you for all you do for Scouting in our Council.



## **HANDSOME LAKE DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE**

The Handsome Lake District of the Chief Cornplanter Council, BSA will hold its annual meeting and election on Thursday, December 9, 2010. The location will be at First Presbyterian Church, Warren. Time to begin is 7:00 pm. All Chartered organization Representatives are asked to attend. Individuals seeking to submit nominations for the District Committee MUST submit the nominations in writing to Michael Brennan, chairman of the District Nominating Committee. Nominations should be sent to:

Michael Brennan, Chairman  
Handsome Lake District  
Nominating Committee  
316 Fourth Avenue  
Warren, Pennsylvania 16365

## **CHIEF CORNPLANTER COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE**

The Chief Cornplanter Council, BSA will hold its Annual meeting and election on Monday, January 24, 2010 at the Slater Room at Library, at 4:30 PM. Individuals seeking to submit nominations for the Council Executive Board MUST submit the nominations in writing to the chairman of the Council Nominating Committee. Nominations should be sent to:

John Eggleston, Chairman  
Council Nominating Committee  
Chief Cornplanter Council  
316 Fourth Avenue  
Warren, Pennsylvania 16365

## A Salute to All Veterans

You have helped keep our country strong and proud. Many of you have put your lives in harm's way to protect us. To all who served our country, a BIG Scout salute and well-deserved thank you on this Veteran's Day and always. Thank you.

## Woodcarving Session

Just a little reminder that we are carving every Sunday afternoon from 1:30—4:00ish at the home workshop of Wes Augenstein at 614 High Street Youngsville, Pa. The sessions will continue until Nov. 21 and then resume on Dec. 5th. If we still have interested carvers we may do another project in January. Classes will be held in Wes's woodshop at 614 High Street Youngsville, Pa. There is no charge for the sessions. This is open to all Boy Scouts and adults. You can start any date you want and if you miss a Sunday...no big deal. This has been a fun project the last few years, we hope to keep it going. See you there.



Connor Faulkner of Pack 27, Tidioute tries to make contact with other scouts from around the world at this year's Jamboree-on-the-Air.

## Thank You

A big round of applause to Russ Bush for hosting a Jamboree-on-the-Air on Saturday October 16th. He set up two antennas at the pavilion next to the Betts Scout Service Center to run a short wave radio. Contacts were made with fellows scouts around the world during the event. A big THANK YOU to the Scouts from Tidioute Pack 26 who attended the event!



## Take Woodbadge!

Woodbadge is an accelerated training program offered by the Boy Scouts of America and is so successful that many major corporations send their top executives to courses throughout the country.

Woodbadge is Scouting's premier training course. Lord Baden-Powell, the founder of Scouting, directed the first course in 1919 and designed it so that Scouters could learn, in as practical a way possible, the skills and methods of Scouting. It is first and foremost, learning by doing. The members of the course are formed into patrols and these into a troop.

The uniqueness of Scouting is the patrol method. The use of the natural gang of six or eight boys who elect their own leader and plan and carry out many of their own activities is a democracy in microcosm.

Woodbadge is the embodiment of Scouting spirit. Carried out in context of Scouting ideals and service to young people, the course brings out a deep dedication and spirit of brotherhood and fellowship in most participants.

Our neighbors in the French Creek Council will be hosting a Woodbadge training starting on September 8, 2011. The cost is just \$225. This course is a combined Council effort between the French Creek Council, Moraine Trails Council, Chief Cornplanter Council, Allegheny Highlands Council and Bucktail Council.

We encourage anyone who wants to achieve the highest pinnacle of Scout training to consider attending the course. For more information, contact course director Joan Martin at [gracrose4@aol.com](mailto:gracrose4@aol.com) or 814-899-5562.

## INVENTORY

The Betts Scout Service Center will be closed the week between Christmas and New Years for inventory.

## PHILMONT 2011

The Chief Complanter Council is gearing up for another trip to Philmont. We've put in for two troops to attend in the summer of 2011. There is only room for 5 more scouts to attend this trek so if you would like to be a part of the contingent and explore BSA's premier High Adventure Base, get to the Betts Scout Service Center as soon as possible and sign up. All reservations must be accompanied by a \$100 non-refundable deposit to hold your spot.

## FOS 2011

It's time again to start considering Family Friends of Scouting for next year. Friends of Scouting is broken down into two separate campaigns - the Family phase and the Community phase. In the Community phase we solicit annual contributions from people, businesses, organizations, clubs and others who have traditionally given generously to Scouting in the Chief Complanter Council as well as any new contributors who may wish to make a gift. In the Family phase, we ask for the financial support of all the families of all of our Cubs, Scouts, Venturers and Explorers - those who see the benefits of the Scouting program first-hand.

Why do we have an annual campaign? That answer is easy. Our Council annual budget is roughly \$250,000. That includes operation of the Betts Scout Service Center, maintaining a stock of advancement supplies, mailings, coordination of activities such as Summer Camp, Philmont trips, the National Jamboree, and the year-round maintenance of Camp Olmsted (which we assure you is NOT cheap!). We derive our income from a number of sources - chiefly the amazing support of our local United Fund, our share of Popcorn & Peanut sales and other areas. Our Friends of Scouting revenues are only about 16% of our total income, but a very important part. Consider this...if we simply stopped raising Friends of Scouting dollars, we would automatically have a \$40,000 hole in our budget. If we continued that annually, this Council would be out of business in almost no time. Is the Friends of Scouting campaign important? You bet!

If you take our Family Friends of Scouting goal (a portion of our total goal) and divide it by the total number of Scouts we serve, we would easily be able to achieve that goal if every family of a Scout contributed just \$25 to the cause. Now, we know that some families will just decide to ignore our plea and others simply can't afford it, so anything over that \$25 that you give would be greatly appreciated. Another way of looking at the financial picture is that it costs our Council roughly \$250 per Scout to keep our doors open, keep Camp in shape and to provide the program of Scouting to all.

This year everyone will receive a packet explaining this in more detail. We have developed a new 5-year set of Council Shoulder Strips which will be giving out as our way of saying "thank you" to everyone who contributes \$100 or more to Friends of Scouting. These patches will be ordered in limited quantities and will go fast. Once gone, we will not be ordering more so that they retain their value over the years. The set is based on the original 5 tribes of the Iroquois Nation - Cayuga, Seneca, Mohawk, Oneida and Onondaga. Each year we will introduce a new one honoring one of the tribes. The designs include the typical headdress worn by the tribe as well as the official native spelling of the tribal name. (see graphic).

As we head into 2011, committed to providing the best Scouting experience for every youth in Warren County, please consider making a Friends of Scouting gift. Most gifts are tax-deductible, and you'll have the satisfaction of knowing you've helped us help young people become the best adults they can be.



### Notice

**Camp Olmsted will be closed  
November 29th thru December 4th.  
There will be no rentals of any  
facilities at camp during these dates.**



# DISTRICT NEWS

## Pinewood Derby Races

We will be having our new Pinewood Derby Track set up in the Warren Mall beginning on Monday January 3rd.

The track will be available to all units that wish to run their races. A schedule is being kept at the Betts Scout Service Center, so reserve your spot as soon as possible!



Anyone wishing to help set up the track is asked to contact Al Webster at 730-9693. He will tell you what date and time to assemble at the Mall. Thanks again to the Warren Mall for allowing us to hold our races there.

## Pinewood Derby Workshop

Do you have trouble putting cars together or just don't have the tools to do it properly, then this workshop is for you. Pinewood Derby Chairman Al Webster would like to announce that he is putting together Pinewood Derby Car Workshops again this year. The workshops would begin at 6:30 PM and end around 8:30 PM. This is open to any parent/boy teams who needs help with their car. We will have to limit the size each night to about twenty boys/parent teams. You may sign up for a workshop by contacting Al Webster at 730-9693. There will be NO CHARGE for these workshops. You will however need to supply your own Official Pinewood Derby kit from Dreamboat Marine and anything that you may want to include on your car and weights (stickers, drivers, pipes...etc.).

## Winter Camp/ Klondike Derby

The 2011 Klondike Derby will be held Friday January 14, 2011 and Saturday, January 15, 2011 at Camp Olmsted. We will gather Friday evening for a campout. You do not need to attend the campout to participate in the derby on Saturday. While the cost will be \$3.00 each, it will be the same whether you camp or not. The Chair for the event this year is Marty Yucha. Registration for the derby on Saturday is from 8:15 AM until the event starts at 9:00 AM. The event should be over around 3:00 PM. Scouts need to bring their lunches and a can of soup for the Mulligan Stew. Please do not bring Tomato or cream soups. Scoutmasters, you will be receiving some information in December with more particulars.

Helpers needed: Stations to instruct, scorers, runners, soup to stir, fires to build, if interested please contact Marty Yucha or youth corps, Mike Crone Jr.

**Note: This is just a heads up notice for the Campout. More details will be in your mailboxes at the BSSC in late December.**



## 2010 Eagle Scout Roll

Congratulations from the Chief Cornplanter Council to the following Scouts who have achieved Scouting's highest award and honor—



the Eagle Scout rank

**Michael Tenney**, son of Dave and Beth Tenney, is a member of Boy Scout Troop 9, sponsored by the First United Methodist Church, Bill Wilson, Scoutmaster.

**Nathaniel Tenney**, son of Dave and Beth Tenney, is a member of Boy Scout Troop 9, sponsored by the First United Methodist Church, Bill Wilson, Scoutmaster.

**Joshua Jones**, son of Cheryl Stover and Kevin Jones, is a member of Boy Scout Troop 22, sponsored by the Irvine United Methodist Church, Barb Mourer, Scoutmaster.

**Jeremy Stover**, son of Pam Connacher and Jeff Stover, is a member of Boy Scout Troop 22, sponsored by the Irvine United Methodist Church, Barb Mourer, Scoutmaster.

## Order of the Arrow Family Banquet

The lodge will hold its annual Family Banquet on Saturday January 8, 2011 at the Pleasant Township Fire Hall. You are asked to arrive around 5:30 PM to sign in, look around at the displays and share fellowship with other Scouters. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. This is a tu-reen dinner, please bring your own table settings and a dish to pass. The main course, drinks and rolls will be provided by the lodge. There will be a \$5.00 cost for adults, \$3.00 for children under 12, maximum cost of \$15.00 per family. Reservations are required by **January 3rd, 2011.**

## Christmas Walk

The Christmas Walk will be held Friday December 3rd in downtown Warren. The parade will start at 6:00PM. As of right now, we will meet down in the Bilo parking lot by the recruiting office. We encourage all units to walk in the parade. Please keep looking in the newspaper for the time and starting area of the parade. Hope to see you all there.

## Silver Beaver Nominations Open

Now is the time for you to start to consider nominating a special Scouter for the prestigious Silver Beaver Award. The Silver Beaver is a National Award - presented to deserving Scouters in every Council in America. But it is also a Council award - the highest form of recognition that a local Council can present to a volunteer.

Now you may know someone who has never received the Silver Beaver Award but feel that they are deserving of this award. How can you help them receive it? Nominate them! The Council does not nominate people for the Silver Beaver. Just like Scout ranks, there are requirements. One of those is that the Silver Beaver candidate must be nominated by one or more other volunteers.

The nominee should be of good character, have provided service to Scouting "above and beyond", and be actively involved in their church and their community. If you know someone who you think fits these requirements and deserves the award, please take the time to nominate them.

Official nomination forms are available at the Betts Scout Service Center and need to be returned completed by March 11. After that time, our Council Silver Beaver Selection Committee (made up entirely of other Silver Beaver recipients) will meet, discuss all nominations in detail, and recommend their selection for Silver Beaver for 2010-2011. The Silver Beaver Award will be presented officially to the recipient at our next Council Recognition Dinner in May.

Without your nomination, no one may know all the reasons why your candidate deserves the honor.

### Council Calendar

The Council Calendar is now available online at our website: [www.cccbsa.com](http://www.cccbsa.com)

### DERBY CARS & OTHER STUFF

Attention all Cub Leaders...Pinewood Derby cars will not be available at the Betts Scout Service Center shop this year. All cars may be purchased at Dreamboat Marine, our official Scout distributor. Dreamboat has a large assortment of Pinewood Derby add-ons including something new this year - colored wheels! If you haven't stopped by Dreamboat Marine in Starbrick to see their Scout section, we highly recommend that you do.

### Cub Scout Recruitment

Congratulations to all of our Packs on their Cub Scout recruitments. It looks like we should have a great year coming up. I would ask that you get any remaining applications into the Betts Scout Service Center as soon as you can. Remember that if a boy isn't registered, he is not covered for any activities under our insurance.

Thanks again for a job well done!

### Beaver Days

We have had a couple of Beaver Days at Camp Olmsted since the issue of our last Pathfinder. A lot of much needed work was accomplished, not only in the setting up of camp but also putting away camp and improving our camp projects. There is a big group of volunteers that need individual thanks. I will not embarrass myself by starting to thank everyone as I will leave someone out by mistake. So "Thank You" to all who have helped keep us up and running this summer!

### Website Update

I will be posting any new programs or general Scout Interest stuff in our News Section of our website. The website address is [www.cccbsa.com](http://www.cccbsa.com) and is available to you 24/7. Constructive criticism is always welcomed. Contact Ernie at the Betts Scout Service Center to leave Kudos or Criticism.



### Happy Holidays

As we won't be publishing another Pathfinder until January, we'd like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very blessed and merry Christmas and a safe, happy and prosperous 2011.



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