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Fall Product Sale!



The Fall Popcorn and Peanut Kickoff meeting is scheduled for September 29 at 6:30 PM at Meyer Hall at St. Joseph Church, Pennsylvania Ave in Warren. Like last year, every unit who sends a representative to this meeting will receive an additional 5% commission just for attending. The condition is, like last year, that one person may not represent two units.

We have some exciting new products to go over with everyone. We'll have some samples as well. And the new highlight of the Fall Sale Kickoffs - what new fun gadget the boys can earn - last year, Marshmallow Shooter, this year - The Zyclone! Come to Kickoff and get your Unit's free Zyclone. Invitations to all unit leaders will be mailed soon but we wanted to make sure you got it in your calendars now and had enough time to recruit someone to get to the meeting if you are unable to attend. The popcorn and peanut sale will start on October 1.



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SILVER BEAVER

Nominations are now being accepted for the coveted Silver Beaver Award which will be awarded to some deserving individual in our Council at our Annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner next May. Nominees are people who have given exceptional "above-and-beyond" service to our Council and our Scouts. There is no tenure involved, no number of awards, etc.

If you know someone who has given exceptional service and believe that they should receive the Silver Beaver Award, it takes YOU to nominate them, or they will not be considered. The official nomination form may be picked up at the Betts Scout Service Center. It's not a long form and can be completed easily, especially with help from the nominee's spouse or family.

Please take the time to nominate a deserving Scouter.



PROPERTIES COMMITTEE

The next meeting for the Council Properties Committee will be on September 27 at 6:30 PM at Camp Olmsted

FALL RECRUITMENT - FOR PACKS, TROOPS, CREWS, SHIPS & POSTS

It's that time of year again!

Council Vice President for Membership John Wagner would like to remind all Cub Scout Packs to start planning now to make this the most successful Fall Recruitment ever. And that its a great time for Troops, Crews, Ships and Posts to recruit new members too!

The plan asks that all Cub Scout Packs plan their Recruitment night for September 14. When you know the time of your meeting, please contact Ernie at the Betts Scout Service Center as soon as possible so we can begin to whip up flyers for the schools as well as something for the newspaper to let everyone know it's time to join Scouting.

Packs may also wish to create their own invitations for their boys to distribute in school to their friends and classmates, inviting them to a meeting or special outing to "check out" Scouting.

All Packs are asked to make it a special night where boys can come sign up, parents can fill out registration forms, etc, get some information about Scouting and then told when their son's very first meeting will be held. Studies prove that interested boys and parents respond better to just a sign-up rather than a full-blown Pack meeting when signing up. The whole experience can be overwhelming to new folks.

All new parents who wish to volunteer should be reminded to take Training as soon as possible (see upcoming training dates in this edition of *Pathfinder*) as well as the Youth Protection Training.

All Pack Leaders are encouraged to go to the Council Website to check out the New Cub Scout Program Delivery Method.

All new youth registrations are due into the Betts Scout Service Center by October 1 - bring them to the Popcorn Kickoff if you want to make it easier on yourself!

For Troops, Crews, Ships and Posts, we'll be glad to assist you in finding new members through the schools and the local newspaper. You can also help yourself a great deal simply by scheduling some sort of fun outing and having your current Scouts bring a friend along. Please don't charge the prospective members for checking out Scouting! Camp Olmsted is usually available most weekends to do this sort of thing.

Scouting is a growth organization. When we cease to care about recruiting new youth members and adults, we start to fail. We're committed not to let that happen in the Chief Cornplanter Council so lets get excited about reaching out to every possible Scout we can this fall and get them involved in America's largest youth development program.

2011 First Aid Meet

The plans for this years First Aid Meet are now being finalized. The meet will take place on Monday October 17th. It will be held at 6:30 PM at the First Presbyterian Church (corner of Market St and Third Ave) in Warren. The cost for the event will be \$3.00 . Look for more details in Your Troop mail boxes and at our website (www.cccbsa.com).

2011 SPOOKARAMA

The plans for this years SPOOKARAMA are now being finalized. Troop 22 will be hosting the event at the Irvine Presbyterian Church on Saturday October 29th. It will be held at 6:00 PM. The cost for the event will be \$4.00 and will include food, games and a lot more. Look for more details in Your Troop mail boxes and at our website (www.cccbsa.com).

Jamboree on the Air

Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) will take place the weekend of October 15-16,2011.

The JOTA is an annual event in which Scouts and Guides all over the world speak to each other by means of amateur radio contacts. Scouting experiences are exchanged and ideas are shared, via the radio waves. Since 1958 when the first jamboree-on-the-Air was held, thousands of Scouts and Guides have "met" each other through this event. Not only is it fun to talk to Scouts from other parts of the world but it provides also a chance to find out about other countries and about Scouting elsewhere. Many contacts made during the JOTA have resulted in pen pals and links between scout troops that have lasted for many years.

Russ Bush; a local Ham operator; is working on an event for all. Look for flyers in the mailboxes and on our website soon.

LABOR DAY

Happy Labor Day to all of our hard-working volunteers and Scouts. In observance of Labor Day, the Betts Scout Service Center will be closed on Friday, September 2 and Monday, September 5.



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Pop Boom Fizz! A Cub Scout Adventure

Thank you again to all who helped to make our Cub Scout Summer Adventure a fun-filled and successful event for the boys! And a big thank you to all those who weathered the storms in tents all weekend! And of course, our thanks to all those who walked with the boys despite the heat. We hope you will all join us again next year for another exciting outdoor adventure!!

A list of advancements that the boys have earned is in the Pack mailboxes at the Betts Scout Service Center.

EVERY BOY DESERVES A TRAINED LEADER

Every Boy who registers with the Boy Scouts of America joins with an expectation of having an outstanding program. The best way to provide that program is not to make it up on your own. The Boy Scouts of America has been in business for over 100 years and have developed training and leader guides in order to provide the best quality program possible to keep boys in Scouting for as long as possible.

With that in mind, please make sure all your new leaders, as well as any current untrained leaders, make every effort to attend one of the training courses our Council will be providing this fall.

Training Opportunities

Boy Scout Leader Training

We will be holding a **Scoutmasters Training** at the Kiwanis Lodge at Camp Olmsted on the weekend of October 14th—16th. This training is for Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters and all who may serve in those positions at a later date. Report to the Kiwanis Lodge by 6:00. Please eat before getting there as no meals will be served Friday night. You will be done by 4:00 PM on Sunday. You will need your handbook, sleeping gear, and personal gear. Food will be provided on Saturday and Sunday. Your uniform is the proper dress for the weekend.

CUB LEADER TRAINING

Remember when you were a new leader and were fairly lost trying to figure out how to run a weekly Den meeting or Pack activity? Well, this fall you will be recruiting new leaders who will be in the same boat and will need to learn how to be a great leader and provide an awesome Scouting program for our boys. We ask all Packs to urge your new leaders, as well as any current untrained leaders, to attend our Cub Scout Leader training sessions.

EVERY youth who joins Scouting DESERVES a trained leader. Please make every effort to have 100% of your adult leaders trained. This will also help you earn the Centennial Quality Unit Award.

To sign up for one of the upcoming training events, give the Betts Scout Service Center a call at 723-6700.

UPCOMING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

September 28, 2011	Cub Scout Leader training*	6:00 PM—9:00 PM
October 15, 2011	Cub Scout Leader training*	9:00 AM—12:00 PM
Saturday November 5th	French Creek Council-Saegertown High School	

*This training will be held at the Betts Scout Service Center 316 Fourth Ave, Warren, Pa and is a one day training.

Training is also available online. You can link to the site from our Council Page at www.cccbsa.com.

2011 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

Jason Clever, son of Jeffrey and Angie, is a member of Boy Scout Troop 17, sponsored by the Sugar Grove American Legion, Dart Summerson, Scoutmaster.

Ryan Haslett, son of Mark and Chris Haslett, is a member of Boy Scout Troop 8, sponsored by the First Presbyterian Church, Gregg Trisket, Scoutmaster.

Andrew Lang, son of Larry and Kathy Lang, is a member of Boy Scout Troop 6, sponsored by the Saint Joseph Roman Catholic Church, Mike Crone, Scoutmaster.

Samuel Sherrard, son of Mike and Jeni Sherrard, is a member of Troop 13 sponsored by the North Warren Presbyterian Church, David Gee, Scoutmaster.

Jonathan Sterner, son of Larry and Martha Sterner, is a member of Boy Scout Troop 55, sponsored by the Midway Christian and Missionary Alliance Church, Richard Kemp, Scoutmaster.

2011 Fall Camporee

Flyers are in your mailboxes for the 2011 Fall Camporee. It will be held Friday-Sunday October 7-9. The cost for the event will be \$3.00. Troops and visiting Cub Scouts will be responsible for their own food. Look for the flyer at our website (www.cccbsa.com) soon.



A small trading post will be available at the camporee.



Woodcarving Session

Wes Augenstein has once again announced that he will host a woodcarving session this winter starting Sunday October 16th from 1:30—4:00 PM. Classes will be held in Wes's woodshop at 614 High Street Youngsville, Pa. There is no charge for the sessions. We will start with one project and if interest continues, we will probably start a second project later on. This is not a merit badge class but could be used as a requirement with consent from your counselor. This is open to all Boy Scouts and adults. Please contact Wes (563-4247) or Ernie (723-6700) by October 2nd so we know how many blanks to prepare. This was a fun project last year, we hope to keep it going. See you there.



Fourth of July Parade

Thanks to all who participated at the Fourth of July parade. We had a fine group of Scouts marching and many floats.

Council Calendar

The Council Calendar is now available online at our website: www.cccbsa.com

Columbus DAY

The Betts Scout Service Center will be closed on Monday October 10th in observance of Columbus Day.

Philmont

Our Philmont crews just returned from their trip recently. I hope for pictures and an article in our next Pathfinder from the boys or leaders who went.



Pictured here are the Crews just before leaving for their train out to Philmont. Will you be in the next picture?