Service Area 4 Newsletter

NOVEMBER 2012 - EDITION 2

Turkey Trot Camporee

The weekend of, November 2-4, Boy Scout Troops made their way to Camp Anawanna for the Turkey Trot Camporee. During the weekend the scouts learned valuable skills from Map and Compass to First Aid, while also reviewing the Totin Chit and Fireman Chip. Each unit cooked a Turkey their own way and each one was excellent. Styles ranged from a Stuffed Turkey to Charcoal to Fried. The Scouts all came together and enjoyed an afternoon of fun and they all made some new friends

Charter Renewal

The charter renewal process is now well underway! By now, every unit should have selected a charter renewal processor. That person should have received the unit access code, and they should have loaded and printed the current roster to begin making changes. Our Service Area is offering a number of convenient opportunities to get help with charter renewal and turn them in.

Charter Turn-In Days for Each District – refreshments provided, a team of District Scouters will quickly process your charter

Charter "Office Hours" – Sit down with your Unit Service Executive and a laptop to work on your charter.

See the calendar for dates, times and locations. All charters MUST be turned in by December 15 to qualify for <u>JTE</u>, <u>Free Rank Advancement</u>, and the <u>On-Time Charter Renewal Incentive</u>.

Waynesburg Wednesdays – November 28th – 7a-9a – By Appointment Only
Frontier Fridays – November 30th – 7a-9a – Panera Bread, Settler's Ridge
Mingo Trails Waynesburg Wednesdays – December 3rd – 7a-9a – Panera Bread, Trinity Point
Waynesburg Frontier Fridays – December 5th – 7a-9a – By Appointment Only
Frontier Fridays – December 7th – 7a-9a – Panera Bread, Settler's Ridge
Frontier Fridays – December 14th – 7a-9a – Panera Bread, Settler's Ridge

General Greene District Charter Turn-In Day

– December 7th – 6p-8p – Greene County Vo-Tech Dining Room

Mingo Trails District Charter Turn In-In Day

- December 8th - 9a-Noon - Columbia Gas

Frontier District Charter Turn-In Day

- December 15th - 9a-Noon - Flag Plaza Service Center

Christmas is Around the Corner!

The Washington Crown Center has extended an invitation to any Scout unit in the area who would like to be part of the Annual Christmas Parade. The parade is Thursday, November 15th at 6 PM. The Mall encourages any unit who would like to be a part this year to wear their uniform and to walk with your respective Unit Flag, and Banners if you have them. This is a great opportunity for us to say "thank you" to the mall for allowing us to have the Mall Show there every year. If you are interested contact Civil Knox at the Washington Crown Center, (724) 225-1838.

***Click on any of the hyperlinks for more information, including the hyperlinks under the Council Calendar for information and registration.

Council Calendar

November

10 - Cub Leader Training

11 - OA Lodge Banquet

22 - HAPPY THANKSGIVING

22-23 - Scout Offices Closed

23 - 10 Commandments Hike

December

24 - Christmas Eve

25 - MERRY CHRISTMAS!

28-29 - Camp Staff Interviews

2013 Winter Weekends



Please feel free to contact a member of the field team:

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Do you want to make a difference in the lives of the Youth we serve?

The Activity and Camping Committees would like to extend an invitation to any Adult Leader or Parent who might be interested in serving on these Committees to help in the planning and promotion of District events. If you have a specialty skill or hobby, this is the committee for you. There are Sub-committees for each event offered to Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts, so if you only want to help with the Mall Show or Pinewood Derby for the Cubs or you would rather just help plan the Spring Camporee we have a place for you!

Members of the Camping and Activity Committees will be meeting on:

Monday, November 5, 7:00 PM at Central Assembly of God in Houston, PA. Monday, December 3 7:00 PM at Central Assembly of God in Houston, PA.

Roundtable

Plan to attend November Roundtables for training, information and fellowship. Special prizes for 1st time attendees! Attend any Roundtable that works for you:

Mingo Trails Roundtable
November 6th, 2012, 7:30 PM
Abundant Life Baptist Church
269 Cameron Road
Washington, PA 15301

Frontier Roundtable
November 8th, 2012, 7:00 PM
Pittsburgh Technical Institute
1111 McKee Road
Oakdale, PA 15071

General Greene Roundtable
November 15th, 2012, 7:00 PM
First Baptist Church - 303 W High Street, Waynesburg, PA 15370

Membership Moment

Hi Everyone!

It has been a great pleasure for me to get the first phase of our Fall recruiting effort established with you this year. Your enthusiasm and your patience with my learning curve have made me feel like we can accomplish any goal we set our minds to. Many of you have asked if I'm having fun yet....and the answer is a resounding, "This.. is.. AWE-SOOOOME!"

We have hit the September target, and as I write this we are a breath away from exceeding the October target with a few days yet to go. Very importantly, our year-end goal is well within reach with only 243 more new Scouts needed to put us over the top. Now is the time to identify the gaps in each unit that we might best affect with an open house, a bring-a-buddy, or some other unit-strengthening effort that we can help you pull together.

In the coming days, I will be focusing on second efforts – finding additional opportunities to support your unit growth. As with any endeavor, you who have local knowledge can be immensely helpful in figuring out what might work best for you. I will be contacting some of you in the coming days, and I would be very happy to hear from any of you who have an idea to boost your recruitments.

THANK YOU for the time you spend to make Scouting available to the youth of our area, and for the extra effort you put in to delivering the Scout promise.

Yours in Scouting, Mark Tallarico (412) 944-2530 mark.tallarico@scouting.org





















Cub Scout Camping

Attention Packs!

The Camping Committee would like to come to one of your meetings to talk about all the Camping experiences that are available from the District and the Council during 2013. The Committee has all the information that you will need in your planning for the 2013 Summer from Day Camp, to Resident Camp to the 2013 MountainFest!

Contact Heath Manbeck, to schedule your Camp Promotion and receive a \$50 credit to your unit cost for the units attendance at a 2013 Day Camp or Resident Camp program, heath.manbeck@scouting.org, or at 412-325-7962

Upcoming Events ~ Mark Your Calendars Now!

Klondike Derby FR Pinewood Derby MT Pinewood Derby January 11-13, 2013 February 9, 2013 February 16, 2013 GR First Aid Meet MT Mall Show GR Pinewood Derby January 26, 2013 February 16, 2013 March 9, 2013

Spring Camporee

May 3-5, 2013

Theme: Search & Rescue

An additional list of events and a complete Service Area 4 Calendar is available at: http://lhc-bsa.doubleknot.com/document/sa4-2012-2013-calendar-revoct/117754

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1 - Popcorn Distribution							
2 - Popcorn Distribution	SUN	Mon	TUE	WED	Тни	FRI	SAT
2-4 - Turkey Trot Camporee (Anawanna)					1	2	3
5 - Area Activities/Camping Meeting (Central Assembly of God, Houston)					Popcorn	Turkey Trot Camporee Popcorn	Turkey Trot Camporee
6 - Roundtable (Washington)	4 Turkey Trot	5	6	7	8	9	10
8 - Roundtable (PTI)	Camporee	Activities/ Camping Mtg	Roundtable		Roundtable		
11 - OA Banquet	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
14 - MT Advancement Meeting	OA Banquet			MT Advancement Mtg			
20 - Eagle Dinner	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
22 - HAPPY THANKSGIVING			Eagle Dinner	-	THANKSGIV-ING		-
28 - MT Advancement Meeting	25	24	27	20	20	20	
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3 - Area Activities/Camping Meeting (Central Assembly of God,	Sun	Mon	TUE	WED	Тни	FRI	SAT
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4 - Roundtable (Washington)							
7 - GR Christmas Dinner (VOTECH)	2	3 Activities/ Camping Mtg	4 Roundtable	5	6	7 Christmas Dinner	8 SM/ASM Specific
8 - SM/ASM Specific Training (Washington)	9	10	11 Christmas Dinner	12	13 Roundtable	14	15 Charters Due
11 - MT Christmas Dinner							

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13 - Roundtable (PTI)

15 - CHARTERS DUE

24 - Christmas Eve

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JANUARY 2012

- 7 Area Activities/Camping Meeting (Central Assembly of God, Houston)
- 8 Roundtable (Washington)
- 9 MT Advancement Meeting
- 10 Roundtable (PTI)
- 11-13 Klondike Derby
- 17 Roundtable (Waynesburg)
- 26 SM/ASM Specific Training (Robinson) GR First Aid Meet VLST (Washington)

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