



BUCKS COUNTY COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

# BUCKS COUNTY BUGLER

A monthly e-newsletter filled with news and information for our Scouts,  
Scouters and the Scouting community

## November 2012

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Dear Parents and Leaders:

Hurricane Sandy came and Hurricane Sandy left and what a mess she left for all of us. As I write this article, a significant population in Bucks County is still without electricity; some areas are not predicted to get it back till the middle of the month.

One of the values Scouting teaches is to "Be Prepared." This hurricane is an example to all for the need to be prepared for any circumstance. We often hear about the need for people to prepare emergency kits for their homes. How many actually do it? Any Boy Scout that earned the Emergency Preparedness merit badge did. He was to meet with and teach his family how to get or build a kit, and complete a family plan for an emergency. The Scout then had to prepare a family kit for use by his family in case an emergency evacuation is needed. Another requirement is to prepare a written plan for mobilizing your troop when needed to do emergency service and to take part in at least one troop mobilization.

Now that we are in the Recovery phase of the hurricane, Scouting is presented with an opportunity. We have the opportunity to get out into the community and work on that other core value Scouting teaches..."To help other people at all times". Let's mobilize our units and reach out to help others...to help Scouting families that have been impacted; to help neighbors that are overwhelmed; to help communities that may not have the resources.

I know this is not the way we had all hoped to spend the fall, but we are all Scouts. We have learned how to adapt and overcome obstacles. We can overcome this challenge as well.

Remember, the mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical choices over their lifetime by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

See you down the trail.

Yours in Scouting,

*Magne*

Magne Gundersen  
Scout Executive/CEO

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## Around the Council



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## REGISTRATION REMINDER

Does your unit have new Scouts or leaders?  
Has any adult in your unit changed position?  
Have you had new Boy Scouts cross over into your Troop from a Webelos Den?

If any of the above applies, you must submit a membership application form to the Council Service Center. It is highly important that any youth participating in Scouting programs be registered. Only registered Scouts receive credit for awards and advancement, and only registered Scouts and Scouters are covered under the BSA's accident and liability insurance policies. In addition, any Scouts wishing to receive *Boys' Life* must have their membership forms submitted to the Council Service Center before receiving their magazines. **Do not wait until your charter is ready for submission.** These are important considerations that should be addressed immediately. If you have applications that are ready to be turned in, please contact your District Executive to schedule a time for him to pick them up.

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## IS YOUR YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING UP TO DATE?

*PLEASE...Take youth protection training if yours has expired.*

Recharter season is right around the corner, and it's IMPERATIVE that everyone who has not taken Youth Protection Training in the past two years takes the time to complete it. Please copy and paste the link listed below into your browser and follow the instructions. We all want this year's recharter to go as smoothly as possible and your cooperation is greatly appreciated!!

<http://www.scouting.org/Training/YouthProtection.aspx>

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## BOYS' LIFE FEATURES LOCAL SCOUT

Check out the November issue of *Boys' Life* magazine to see a feature on a local Scout named Connor McDonald from Troop 187. Last year Connor summited Mount Kilimanjaro and later started the "everything counts" a fundraiser to raise money for Tanzanian school uniforms. It's great to see our local scouts in action in our own community as well as taking action around the globe.

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## 2013 NESA EAGLE SCOUT SCHOLARSHIPS

From: National Eagle Scout Association  
Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2012 12:11 PM  
To: National Eagle Scout Association  
Subject: Eagle Scout scholarship applications now available  
From: Bill Steele, NESA director

The applications for the 2013 NESA Eagle Scout scholarships are now available at [www.nesa.org](http://www.nesa.org). The homepage features a link that leads directly



to the forms. Please help us spread the word to Eagle Scouts in your council.

These are the only scholarship applications acceptable in 2013. NESA recommends that you establish a link to the applications on your website to ensure that you always distribute the correct version. These applications must be printed and mailed to the national office when completed.

All applicants are required to be Eagle Scouts and NESA members. All scholarship applications must be postmarked no later than midnight on December 31, 2012.

If you have any questions, please call the NESA office at 972-580-2032.

Sincerely,

Bill Steele  
NESA Director

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### **BUCKS COUNTY BUGLER E-NEWSLETTER**

This is the third issue of the Bucks County Council's latest communications tool. The Bucks County Bugler is a monthly e-newsletter designed to share the latest information with our Scouting community.

To request a copy of the monthly newsletter be sent to you, send an email to [alayton@bsamail.org](mailto:alayton@bsamail.org) and request to be added to the Bugler Distribution List.

Volunteers are encouraged to submit articles and photographs for publication.

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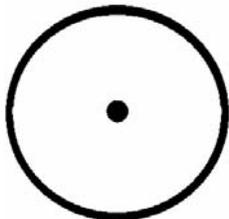
### **POWDERHORN TRAINING A SUCCESS!**

The early hours of September 21, 2012, one could witness 47 adult and youth scouts from New York City, New Jersey, and Bucks County arriving at Ockanickon Scout Reservation being greeted by the energetic staff of Powder Horn 2012. After loading all the gear in the back of a large pick-up truck, participants and staff made their way to Foster Hall to sign in, and get ready to start the program. Scouters checked off the events they participated in their 'Passport to Adventure'. Over 25 events were offered throughout the 3 days which ranged from kayaking, where scouters got into the kayaks and out on the lake, to archery, C.O.P.E, equestrian, sailing, photography, mountain biking, fly fishing, leave no trace, to caving. The host core, Mark Wassum, Sr., Mike McConville, and Dave Hibbs provided phenomenal nourishment for all. September 23, 2013, at the Ockanickon Parade Field, weary participants were presented with certificates of accomplishment together with the Powder Horn Device that would be proudly worn on each and every uniform shirt. Participants cheered loudly in appreciation of the time and dedication of the Powder Horn Staff; John Kenderdine, Ron Mallery, Don Wiater, Nick Lodise, and Bruce Bintliff, Course Director.

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### **P.R.A.Y. UPDATE – UNIT RELIGIOUS EMBLEMS COORDINATOR WEBINARS**

P.R.A.Y. will be hosting webinars on the Unit Religious Emblems Coordinator



"GONE HOME"



(R.E.C.) position. The webinar will be a basic orientation for Religious Emblems Coordinators at the Unit level. Please consider who else might benefit from this webinar and forward this information for them to sign up. The webinars are free and open to the first 100 participants.

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### **CHARTERED ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE TRAINING PLANNED**

Chartered Organization Representative training will be held on Saturday, January 5, 2013 at the Community Crossing Church in Newtown. The course will last from 9:00 to 11:30AM and is open to Chartered Organization Representatives from across the Council.

Chartered Organization Representative  
Saturday, January 5, 2013  
9:00 to 11:30AM  
Community Crossing Church  
80 Lower Silver Lake Road  
Newtown.

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### **EUGENE C. DOVIDIO**

Eugene C. 'Gene' Dovidio died peacefully at home on Sept. 22, 2012. He was 87. Gene was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, and last Bucks County survivor of the attack on Pearl Harbor. He was an Eagle Scout and Boy Scout leader.

He was the widower of Shirley Thompson Dovidio, father of Sandy Norris (Bob), David, Philip, Steven and the late Gerald and Sharon. He was the brother of Margaret De Luca, grandfather of seven, great-grandfather of nine; and also survived by many nieces and nephews.

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### **SCOUTING FOR FOOD!!**

Scouting for food (SFF) bags are available for pick up at the Council Office. Upon collection of food and delivery to participating food banks, your Unit's SFF coordinator should complete a unit collection report and forward to Joanne Nice by November 26, 2012. Be sure to include the service hours spent for this activity under your unit's JTE portal. Specific information will be included in the October Roundtable folders.

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# GOLD CARD

A big  
**Congratulations!**  
 to our  
**Gold Card Units**

## GOLD CARD UNITS RECOGNIZED

The following units have participated in the family Friends of Scouting campaign and have been recognized for their contribution levels as having achieved the GOLD CARD status:

5% DISCOUNT	10% DISCOUNT	FREE RANK BADGES
Pack 5	Troop 41	Pack 46
Pack 30	Troop 53	Troop 1
Pack 34	Troop 133	Troop 6
Troop 52	Troop 172	Troop 10
Troop 137		Troop 19
Troop 168		Troop 27
Troop 316		Troop 29
Troop 400		Troop 30
		Troop 34
		Troop 36
		Troop 46
		Troop 48
		Troop 59
		Troop 71
		Troop 139
		Troop 175
		Troop 187
		Troop 280
		Troop 380
		Crew 52

(Listing as of October 26, 2012)

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## IMPROVEMENTS AT TYLER STATE PARK COMPLETED BY EAGLE SCOUTS!

The beautification and improvement plan for the Covered Bridge Parking Access Area got underway with the completion of two Eagle Scout projects. Brothers Jon and Ryan Galuchie from Pennsbury district of the Bucks County Council, Troop 316 out of Levittown, PA completed two separate Eagle Scout projects at the Covered Bridge Parking Access Area in Tyler State Park as part of their requirements for obtaining the status of Eagle Scout. The first phase of the improvement work consisted of Jon constructing a new trail to better access the Covered Bridge Trail and the second phase of improvement work consisted of Ryan constructing hitching posts and a mounting platform for improved equine usage.

Jon constructed the new trail to better access the Covered Bridge Trail from the parking area. Jon was able to complete this project with the help of 19 volunteers clearing brush, trees and grading the trail over a period of three weekends and a total of 185 volunteer hours. Volunteers installed geo-tech fabric and geo-tech webbing and covered the trail with a base of stone for stabilization. Supplies and donations for this project were received from Tyler State Park and family members.

Ryan's portion of the improvement work to this area consisted of constructing equine hitching posts and a mounting platform. Ryan was able to complete this project with the help of 21 volunteers over two separate weekends for a total of 164 volunteer hours. Volunteers assisted with constructing the two



**Having problems with your personal MyBSA account or Scout Training login?**

**Contact:**

**National Volunteer Helpdesk**

**972-580-2267**

**SCOUT OATH**

On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law;  
To help other people at all times;  
To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

structures, digging footers, pouring concrete and installing geo-tech fabric and geo-tech webbing for stabilization around the two structures to minimize soil erosion. Supplies and donations for this project were received from Tyler State Park and family members.

These improvements to the Covered Bridge Parking Access area are part of the overall beautification and improvement plan to increase visitation to this area and highlight the historical and recreational features of this part of the park. The hitching posts will give riders a shaded area to rest their horses. The hitching platform will provide riders with a safer method of mounting their horses. The access trail will provide better access to the trails at Tyler State Park.

Future projects planned for this area include planting shade trees, improvements to the parking area, construction of pull-through parking areas for horse trailers and installing new drainage pipes. Work to the Schofield Ford Covered Bridge will include installation of new wayside exhibits, grout work on the stone support portions of the covered bridge and general beautification of the area.

Tyler State Park staff is extremely pleased with the results of the project, and they are grateful to brothers Jon and Ryan Galuchies. Park Staff wish Jon and Ryan luck in obtaining the status of Eagle Scout. A plaque commemorating the project will be mounted at the project site.

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**REGARDING MOVE TO ONE OATH & LAW**

**BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA  
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the National Executive Board of the Boy Scouts of America has developed and endorsed the 2011-2015 National Council Strategic Plan (the Plan); and

WHEREAS, the Research and Innovation Department, in association with volunteer-led task forces, is responsible and accountable for the management of and attainment of certain goals within the Plan; and  
WHEREAS, Strategic Plan Goal 411 calls for a "thorough program review and assessment" of the Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Venturing programs in order to improve such programs and assure that they are "appealing, exciting, and culturally relevant to today's youth and families"; and

WHEREAS, the Mission of the Boy Scouts of Americas is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law; and

WHEREAS, such volunteer-led task forces have determined that it is in the best interests of the Boy Scouts of America, the young people participating in its programs, and the United States of America that all participants develop an understanding of and subscription to the Scout Oath or Promise and Law at the earliest possible age and over the full span of BSA program offerings; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of BSA recommends the approval of the following changes to the Charter and Bylaws and the Rules and Regulations of the Boy Scouts of America by the Executive Board;

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the first sentence of Charter and Bylaws, ARTICLE X. PROGRAM, Section 1, paragraph 3:

In all activities, emphasis shall be placed upon practice in daily life of the principles of the Tiger Cub Promise, the Cub Scout Promise, the Scout Oath

**SCOUT LAW**

A Scout is:

- Trustworthy
- Loyal
- Helpful
- Friendly
- Courteous
- Kind
- Obedient
- Cheerful
- Thrifty
- Brave
- Clean
- Reverent

or Promise, and the Venturing Code.

Shall be MODIFIED TO read:

In all activities, emphasis shall be placed upon practice in daily life of the principles of the Scout Oath or Promise.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Rules and Regulations, ARTICLE IX. PRINCIPLES, POLICIES, AND DEFINITIONS, *Clause 3*:

*Clause 3.* All Boy Scouts must know and subscribe to the Scout Oath or Promise and Law, as follows:

Shall be MODIFIED TO read:

*Clause 3.* All Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, Venturers and Sea Scouts must know and subscribe to the Scout Oath or Promise and Law, as follows:

RESOLVED FURTHER, that Rules and Regulations, ARTICLE IX.

PRINCIPLES, POLICIES, AND DEFINITIONS, *Clause 4* referring to the Cub Scout Promise and the Law of the Pack shall be DELETED, and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that Rules and Regulations, ARTICLE IX.

PRINCIPLES, POLICIES, AND DEFINITIONS, *Clause 5* referring to the Venturing Oath and Code shall be DELETED, and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that these changes will become effective with the release of youth handbooks and leader aids supporting this and other changes related to Strategic Plan Goal 411; approximately January 1, 2014 for Venturing-related changes and May 15, 2015 for Cub Scout and Boy Scout-related changes

**QUESTIONS & ANSWERS REGARDING MOVE TO ONE OATH & LAW**

**Q: What, specifically is being recommended?**

**A: Cub Scouts:**

- Adopt the Scout Oath and Law for use in the Cub Scout program, retiring the Cub Scout Promise.
- Revise the Core Values of Cub Scouts to align exactly with the twelve points of the Scout Law.
- Retire the Law of the Pack, while maintaining the concept of “Akela” as leader.
- Maintain the current Cub Scout motto, sign, salute, and handshake.

**A: Venturing:**

- Retire the Venturing Oath, Code, sign and salute.
- Adopt the Scout Oath, Scout Law, Scout sign, and Scout salute.
- Engage the task force and National Youth Cabinet to determine whether Venturing should have a differentiating motto/slogan or adopt “Be Prepared”.

**Q: Why are these changes being considered?**

A: Each of our programs is designed to help instill the goals of the BSA mission in its members’ daily lives. As the BSA strives to operate as one organization, build continuity of membership over a person’s life, and deliver its mission, considering one Oath and Law as a tool to unify our membership is appropriate. Additionally, the earlier and longer a member is exposed to the values of the Scout Oath and Law, the better the opportunity is that they will be able to live those values in their lives.

**Q: How did these recommendations come to be?**

A: Two separate task forces have worked on the deliberations leading to the recommendations – the Strategic Plan Goal 411 Task Force and the

Venturing Task Force. Each of these is volunteer-led and staffed (approximately 50 and 25 volunteers, respectively).

These task forces made the initial deliberations and recommendations beginning in 2011 and early 2012 respectively.

In the case of the Cub Scout, the 411 task force consulted with cognitive and child development specialists and educational practitioners involved in Scouting. Specifically, these professional and scouters were asked to consider age & developmental appropriateness of the current Cub Scout Promise and Law of the Pack versus the Scout Oath and Law. The outcome of this study suggested that comprehension difficulty is high for both but not materially higher for the Scout Oath. Further the study group concluded that Cub Scouts could understand the Scout Law just as well as the Cub Scout Promise with appropriate support and guidance. Additionally, research among parents (62% favorable) and Cub Scout leaders (59% favorable) was also supportive. Cub Scouts would not be asked to memorize or recite the Scout Law at early ages.

With respect to Venturing, the primary discussion points centered around the length and lack of use of the current Venturing Code, the desire to support a seamless set of value statements between Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturing (one program) and a desire to align Venturing's value statements with those used for similar age programs worldwide.

**Q: What is the process that is being used to decide whether to adopt the recommendations or not?**

A: The above mentioned task forces developed their reports and made their initial recommendation in October 2011 to the Program Content Support Committee, a national committee responsible for approving any change in program structure, content, or advancement with their final recommendation in February 2012. These recommendations were reviewed with National Council management concurrently.

Based on the committee's unanimous endorsement, the recommendation was forwarded for review and discussion to the national officers of the BSA in mid-July 2012. After discussion, the officers unanimously approved that the recommendations move forward to the next step.

Since the recommendations, if approved, would modify the Rules and Regulations of the Boy Scouts of America, the final step in the process is the submission of a resolution to the National Executive Board of the BSA. Such a resolution will be offered during the October 2012 National Executive Board Meeting.

**Q: If the resolution is approved, when would the change happen?**

A: If adopted, timing will be different for the Cub Scout portion of the recommendation versus the Venturing recommendation.

Cub Scouts: The 411 Task Force is considering a number of potential changes to the Cub Scout program. Its work on finalizing those recommendations and realizing the many changes to leader aids, handbooks, etc., will be complete for the 2015-2016 program year. All changes associated with Cub Scouts, including these recommendations, will be executed at that time.

Venturing: The Venturing Task Force has not yet completed its deliberations and recommendations. It is anticipated that they will do

so late this year or at the beginning of 2013. As such, the exact timing of implementation is not known at this time but is most likely 2014.

### **Cub Scout-Specific Questions**

#### **Q: Isn't the Scout Oath and Law much more difficult for Cub Scout age boys to memorize and understand?**

A: This was an initial concern of the task force. To address this concern, the task force recruited a group of individuals with experience in child development and linguistics and a group of educational practitioners. All of these individuals are scouters.

After study, the group's conclusions were:

- Both sets of value statements contain complex concepts requiring support and guidance for the user to fully understand and learn to live by.
- Both sets of values statements are written at a relatively high reading level, but the Scout Oath is not significantly more difficult to read and comprehend than the Cub Scout Promise.
- The Law of the Pack is significantly more difficult for Cub Scout age boys to understand than either the Cub Scout Promise or the Scout Oath and contains concepts for which younger Cub Scouts are not developmentally prepared.
- Cub Scout age boys will be able to learn and comprehend the Scout Oath with support and guidance similar to that currently provided when learning the Cub Scout Promise (cards as prompts, guided discussion on meaning, etc.).
- Cub Scouts in early ranks should not be expected to memorize the Scout Law but are developmentally ready to begin exposure to the words of the Law and are ready to begin building understanding of the concepts with help.

#### **Q: Cub Scouts is not Boy Scouts. If Cub Scouts use the Scout Oath and Law, what will separate the programs, what will the boys look forward to?**

A: Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts are separate programs. Cub Scouts preparing to move to Boy Scouts will continue to anticipate the new uniform, the increase in independence and leadership growth of the patrol method, the enhanced opportunities for fun and adventure thru age appropriate troop activities they could not do as Cub Scouts and the Boy Scout advancement program and other opportunities. Use of the same Oath and Law will unify them with their older "brothers" but will not make them Boy Scouts.

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### **UNIT RELIGIOUS EMBLEMS COORDINATOR**

- New unit-level position helps Scouts find religion (or at least religious emblems).
- Help make "A Scout is Reverent" more than just words recited at a troop meeting.
- Find someone in your pack or troop to fill the new Unit Religious Emblems Coordinator (UREC) position.

The UREC, now recognized as a position on the unit committee, will educate, motivate, evaluate, and facilitate the religious emblems program at the unit level.

And, of course, he or she will wear a position patch showing everyone his or her importance in helping Scouts do their Duty to God.

Additional information regarding the position, including a complete position description, can be found on the Membership Resources page on [scouting.org](http://scouting.org).

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### **SCOUT NIGHT SOUL-STYLE**

After an incredible season of football with the Philadelphia Soul, the team now brings you something else to look forward to. Come join us for a family-friendly, fun experience at the annual **Philadelphia Soul Scout Night**. Only the Philadelphia Soul can bring you this unforgettable event that you and your Scouts will not want to miss, so be ready for an incredible experience this May.



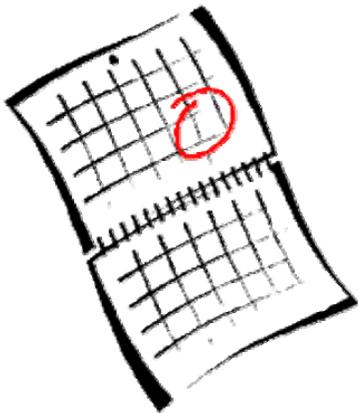
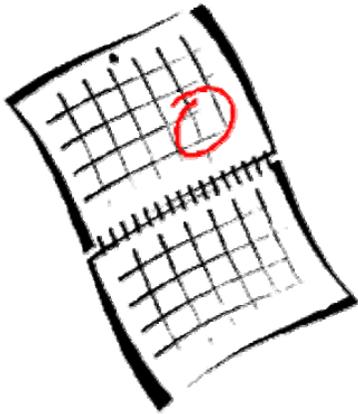
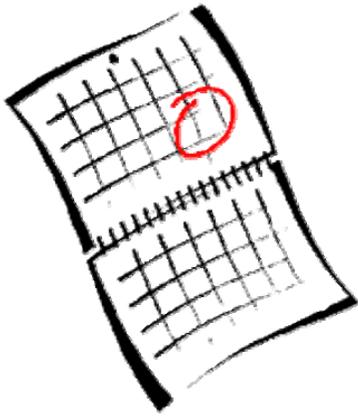
## **ARE YOU IN?**



**For more information please  
contact  
John Tabourn at 215-253-4900 x176  
or  
JTabourn@philadelphiasoul.com**

There is no other night like  
Scout Night!

## Coming Events



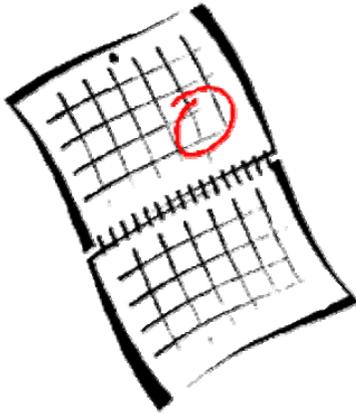
## COUNCIL CALENDAR

### November

- 1 – Popcorn Take Order Sale ends
- 1 - Lenape District Committee meeting
- 1 - Lenape District Commissioner meeting
- 1 - Pennsbury District Committee meeting
- 2 – Unit Popcorn Take Orders due
- 2 – Show & Sell/Show & Deliver returns due
- 5 – Pennsbury Bowling party
- 5 – Lenape Indoor Rally
- 6 - Tohpendel District Committee meeting
- 7 - Playwicki District Committee meeting
- 7 - Playwicki District Commissioner meeting
- 8 – Pennsbury Roundtable
- 8 – Pennsbury OA Chapter meeting
- 8 – Pennsbury Commissioner meeting
- 8 – Pennsbury Recharter night
- 8 – Lenape Roundtable
- 8 – Lenape OA Chapter meeting
- 9 – Unit Prize Orders due
- 10 – POW WOW
- 12 – Lenape Recharter night
- 12 - Tohpendel Recharter night
- 13 - Tohpendel Roundtable
- 13 - Tohpendel OA Chapter meeting
- 13 - Tohpendel Commissioner meeting
- 14 - Playwicki Roundtable
- 14 - Playwicki OA Chapter meeting
- 14 - Playwicki Recharter night
- 15 – OA Executive Board meeting
- 17 – Journey to Basics training
- 17 – Take Order sale popcorn distribution
- 20 - Commissioner Cabinet meeting
- 22 – Thanksgiving – Council Service Center Closed
- 23-24 Thanksgiving holiday – Council Service Center Closed
- 28 – Executive Board meeting
- 29 – Quarterly Program Summit

### December

- 1 – Pennsbury Recharter Day
- 2 – Playwicki Recharter Day
- 4 -Tohpendel District Committee meeting
- 5 - Playwicki District Committee meeting
- 5 - Playwicki District Commissioner meeting
- 6 - Pennsbury District Committee meeting
- 6 - Lenape District Committee meeting
- 6 - Lenape District Commissioner meeting
- 8 - Hanukkah begins
- 11 - Eagle Breakfast
- 11 - Tohpendel Roundtable
- 11 - Tohpendel OA Chapter meeting



- 11 - Tohpendel Commissioner meeting
- 12 - Playwicki Recharter Day
- 12 - Playwicki Roundtable
- 12 - Playwicki OA Chapter meeting
- 13 - Pennsbury Roundtable
- 13 - Pennsbury OA Chapter meeting
- 13 - Pennsbury Commissioner meeting
- 13 - Lenape Roundtable
- 13 - Lenape OA Chapter meeting
- 15 - Pennsbury CS Swim-O-Ree / Mini-Klondike Derby
- 16 - Hanukkah ends
- 18 - Commissioner Cabinet meeting
- 19 - Council Properties Committee meeting
- 20 - Council Training Committee meeting
- 20 - OA Executive Board meeting
- 22 - Scout Store closed
- 24 - Christmas holiday – Scout Store and Council Service Center closed
- 25 - Christmas - Scout Store and Council Service Center closed
- 26-28 - Scout Store closed for inventory
- 31 - New Year's Eve – Scout Store and Council Service Center closed

January

- 1 - New Year's Day - Scout Store and Council Service Center closed

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**2013 SUMMER CAMP FEES**

The Ockanickon Scout Reservation camp program is the best around and we structure our fees to make this experience accessible to everyone. Listed below are the camp fees for summer camp 2013. Please note that when your Scouts commit to camp early by paying early we, as a camp, are better able to save them money through better planning.



Rate Type (see below details)	Due By	Camp Fee	100% Ockanickon Discount
Special Discounted Rate	February 28, 2013	\$348.00	\$332.00
Special Webelos Crossover Rate	May 31, 2013	\$348.00	\$332.00
Regular Camp Rate per Scout	April 27, 2013	\$369.00	\$350.00
Late Camp Rate per Scout	May 31, 2013	\$382.00	\$373.00
Walk-In Camp Rate	after May 31, 2013	\$397.00	\$387.00

Rate Type (see below details)	Due By	Camp Fee	100% Ockanickon Discount
Provisional Camper Rate (1st stay) <a href="#">2012 Provo Application (PDF)</a>	arrival at camp	\$400.00	N/A
Provisional Camper Rate (2nd+ stay) <a href="#">2012 Provo Application (PDF)</a>	arrival at camp	\$317.00	N/A
Adult Leader Slot Rate	May 4, 2013	\$119.00	N/A (see below)
<a href="#">Return Week 8 Promotion</a>	Until Filled	\$200.00	N/A

Camp Fees are Not Refundable

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**2013 SUMMER CAMP AVAILABILITY**

One Week is already closed!! Go to last two pages of this newsletter for available weeks and your reservation deposit form. Act now and don't miss the SUMMER FUN!!

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**HURRICANE SANDY AND ITS EFFECT ON OSR**

Photos of the some of the damage at OSR...



Sometimes we are fortunate...



Sometimes we are not.

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# POPCORN TIME

Popcorn 2012



KINDLE WINNER IS

**ARYAN PATIL**

FROM  
PACK 172!!!

CONGRATULATIONS, ARYAN!!!

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**FILL A SHEET CONTEST**

**SCOUTS WHO EARNED \$10 Scout Shop Gift Certificates:**

Sebastian Aquirre	Pack 172
Derek Deihl	Pack 169
Matthew Fairbairn	Pack 71
Aryan Patil	Pack 172
Caden Simonsen	Pack 36
Joshua Souder	Pack 124

**Congratulations Boys!!!**

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**Pennsbury District News**

District Chairman Rich Yatchyshyn [Richard.Yatchyshyn@us.hamburgsud.com](mailto:Richard.Yatchyshyn@us.hamburgsud.com)  
District Commissioner Cheryl Hallowell [Challowell4@comcast.net](mailto:Challowell4@comcast.net)  
Senior District Executive Joel Perkins [Joel.Perkins@scouting.org](mailto:Joel.Perkins@scouting.org)

**PENNSBURY DISTRICT TRAINING**

We will be holding training for our District Committee on Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 pm, at Christ United Methodist Church. All current, prospective, and interested District Committee members are encouraged to attend. To get a better idea of what a District Training entails, you can copy and paste the following to your browser, straight from the BSA's national site:

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/commissioner/pdf/34160.pdf>

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**PENNSBURY DISTRICT SWIM-O-REE/MINI-KLONDIKE DERBY**

On December 15<sup>th</sup>, we will be holding a great event for our Cub Scout packs at Truman High School in Levittown. From 9-11:30 am, we'll be in the pool for a Swim-o-Ree. From 1-3 pm the same day, we'll be holding a Mini Klondike Derby for Cubs on Truman's athletic fields. Save the date, more information to follow!

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**PENNSBURY DISTRICT RECHARTER TURN IN**

We will be holding our annual Recharter Turn-In on December 1<sup>st</sup> at Emilie United Methodist Church in Levittown from 9 am to noon. If you have any loose ends to tie up before this date, please do not wait until the last minute! If you need help or have any questions about the recharter process, contact your unit commissioner (if you have one) or District Commissioner Cheryl Hallowell.

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**TURN IN YOUR APPLICATIONS FROM FALL RECRUITMENT**

Currently, we have **seven** Cub Scout packs that have not turned any applications in to Council! Not only does turning in applications as soon as you get them make the recharter process easier, unregistered boys will not be able to advance in rank, should not participate in outings or activities, and do not fall under the BSA insurance umbrella in case of accident or injury at a



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	<p>scouting function. This has been a very successful recruiting season for some packs, as we have three that have doubled in size! If you have applications that need to be turned in, please call Joel Perkins at 215-384-4984. He will drive to your house or Pack meeting and will bring them to Council for you. Don't take a chance!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- - -</p>
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<b>Playwicki District News</b>	District Chairman	Bob Ansel	<a href="mailto:r.ansel@verizon.net">r.ansel@verizon.net</a>
	District Commissioner	Don Wiater	<a href="mailto:loso@comcast.net">loso@comcast.net</a>
	District Executive	Rob Scafidi	<a href="mailto:rscafidi@bsaemail.org">rscafidi@bsaemail.org</a>



**CHARTER REVIEW NIGHTS**

The Playwicki District has scheduled the following nights for your unit to have its charter reviewed & submitted:

Wednesday, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 6-7pm  
(Lutheran Church of God's Love, Newtown)

Wednesday, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-7:30pm  
(Crossing Community Church, Newtown)

Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4-6pm  
(Crossing Community Church, Newtown)

Wednesday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>, 6-7pm  
(Lutheran Church of God's Love, Newtown)

Wednesday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-7:30pm  
(Crossing Community Church, Newtown)

If you cannot make it to any of the above dates, please contact your Unit Commissioner to schedule a time to have your charter reviewed and submitted.

REMINDER: All charters expire Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>. Charter renewal paperwork must be submitted to the Council office prior to expiration to maintain registration for 2013.

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**SCOUTING FOR FOOD**

Consider a food drive as a unit service project this Thanksgiving season. Food collection bags are available from the Council Service Center; contact Rob Scafidi at [rob.scafidi@scouting.org](mailto:rob.scafidi@scouting.org) to have some delivered to you.

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**WE NEED YOUR ARTICLES**

Notice the light content this month? The Playwicki District needs your articles to keep this section interesting and relevant to Scouters and parents in our units. If you have an important event or activity happening, or something nice that you would like to share with the rest of the Council, please submit it to Rob Scafidi at [rob.scafidi@scouting.org](mailto:rob.scafidi@scouting.org) for inclusion in next month's *Bugler*.

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**Lenape District News**

District Chairman Doug Pedersen [thepedersens01@comcast.net](mailto:thepedersens01@comcast.net)  
 District Commissioner Tom Thibault [thibat00@verizon.net](mailto:thibat00@verizon.net)  
 District Executive Vacant

**LENAPE COMMISSIONER CORNER**

Upcoming Events

- All Units that have not received their Re-charter Packets can pick them up at the Council Service Center.
- Lenape re-charter night 12 November 2012 at the Council Service Center 7:30 PM. Bring the charter packet, questions, and registration amounts for completion and submission. The goal is to have 100% submission for all units before 15 December 2012. Questions contact



your unit commissioner or any Commissioner for help.

**Dan Laurich** - Unit Commissioner and Lenape OA advisor is leaving us for employment with the city of Philadelphia 1 November. Thank you for your service. You will be missed!

**New Commissioner** - Welcome Chuck McGurk!

**New Event** - Lenape Chili Cook off is scheduled for 13 April 2013. Planning committee is meeting. Next meeting is Wednesday 14 November 7:30 PM at the Council Service Center. This event will be opened to all Scouters, (Venture, Troops and Cub Leaders). We are looking for more committee members to help in planning and for support staff.

### Round Table

**Troops Crews and Cub Units all welcome**

**Cub Scouts:** Units are encouraged to send a representative to this event. It is a great time to network, discuss issues, and learn new skills for the enjoyment and enhancement for dens and packs.

**When** – The second Thursday of the month at St. Paul’s United Methodist Church, Palomino Drive, Warrington. Time 7:30 PM.  
Hope to see you there!

**New BSA changes** - Recently approved, Cub Scouts and Ventures will be using the BSA Scout Oath and Law. More details to follow.

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### LENAPE DISTRICT INDOOR RALLY

**Where:** C.B. South H.S.

**When:** November 5, 2012

**Who:** 8 scouts

Tug-O-War; The Wall; Knot Relay;  
Scout Knowledge; Baton Relay;  
First Aid; Flint and Steel



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A troop can have more than one 8-scout team. However, there is no mixing of teams once the rally starts. The knot relay is limited to knots from new Scout through First Class. Scout knowledge can be anything through First Class. First aid could be practical scenarios, or basic knowledge of Tenderfoot to First Class. All first aid materials will be provided. For flint and steel, bring tinder, leather gloves and safety glasses. The flint and steel will be provided. The only piece of extra equipment allowed for the wall is a Scout stove.

Each troop attending must provide at least 1 adult to help 'spot' the wall.

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### Tohpendel District News

District Chairman	Vacant	
District Commissioner	Tony Vega	<a href="mailto:barrya@epix.net">barrya@epix.net</a>
District Executive	A.J. Esposito	<a href="mailto:a.j.esposito@scouting.org">a.j.esposito@scouting.org</a>



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## THANKS FROM TRAVIS MANION FOUNDATION

The Travis Manion Foundation gave a big Thank You to Bucks County Council for our support and participation in the 5th Annual 9/11 Heroes Run on September 9th. Over 2,000 participants ran or walked; another 1,000+

honored our Heroes, and over \$40,000 was raised! BSA had a visible and welcome presence in the pre-event set up, pre-race ceremony, the run/walk itself, and during clean up after the event. Chris Manion, the Director of the Doylestown Race Committee was pleased to present their awards to the BCC units that registered the most number of participants and volunteered the most number of hours for the event.

Congratulations to Troop 187 for winning their Participation Award by registering 120% (103 people) of their registered members as participants. (Units were encouraged to sign up family members & friends.) Troop 175 was in second place at 39%. Crews 52 & 220, Packs 24 & 199, and Troops 6, 29, 48, 52, 59, & 64 also participated. Congratulations also goes to Troop 187 for winning the Volunteer Award with 329 hours the day of the event. Thank you to Pack 199 and Troop 48 for also volunteering. Lastly, thank you to Bill Cope for being the BSA BCC liaison by serving on the 9/11 Heroes Run Race Committee.

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### **POW WOW IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY**

With new enthusiastic leaders and the upcoming Pow Wow this is a great opportunity to get our new cub leaders trained. It is essential to the growth and development of a Pack to have properly trained leaders. Trained leaders deliver a better program which ultimately allows the boys to have more fun and learn more. Take this opportunity to better a Den, a Pack and the experience of the boys.

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### **ARTICLES NEEDED**

Do you have a great story to tell? Has your troop gone on a great trip and you'd like to share your experience? Can you give a review of a campground or of some type of equipment? Want to let everyone know about a service project or community event? Send it to the Bugler!

Send all articles to Dana Kuhns ([dana.kuhns@scouting.org](mailto:dana.kuhns@scouting.org))

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### **LOCAL CEMETERY IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE**

We were recently contacted at the Council Office by a woman who was visiting a local cemetery and found it in disrepair. She thought it would be a good service project for a Troop to revitalize the cemetery and to clean it up. It is the historic Marshall-Cooper-Ridge Cemetery in Tinicum, which is the final resting place of many 19<sup>th</sup> century veterans. If you are interested in doing such a project or would like more information contact Linda Van Zante at 317-723-3128 or at [lvvanzante@panhandle.rr.com](mailto:lvvanzante@panhandle.rr.com) (she is not local but was visiting the area).

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Summer Camp Sign-Ups 2013  
Ockanickon Scout Reservation

as of

October 31, 2012

WEEK #1 6/16-6/22		WEEK #2 6/23-6/29		WEEK #3 6/30-7/6		WEEK #4 7/7-7/13		WEEK #5 7/14-7/20		WEEK #6 7/21-7/27		WEEK #7 7/28-8/3		WEEK #8 8/4-8/10	
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## ACT NOW TO GET YOUR TROOP REGISTERED FOR SUMMER CAMP 2013

Print out the registration form below and mail it in to the Bucks County Council, B.S.A.

(For best results set your printer for LANDSCAPE)

### YES, OUR TROOP IS COMING TO OCKANICKON IN 2012!

Troop # \_\_\_\_\_ Council: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Number of Scouts: \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated Number of Adults: \_\_\_\_\_

**\$100 Troop DEPOSIT Due with this Reservation (NON-REFUNDABLE)**

**Reminder: \$75.00 will be charged as the processing fee; the remainder will be applied towards your balance. Please mail reservation form and deposit to:**

Bucks County Council, BSA  
Attention: OSR Summer Camp  
One Scout Way  
Doylestown, PA 18901

(Please list 1st and 2nd choices)

\_\_\_ Week #1 - June 16th - June 22nd

\_\_\_ Week #2 - June 23rd - June 29th

\_\_\_ Week #3 - June 30th - July 6th

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\_\_\_ Week #6 - Ji July 21st - July 27th

\_\_\_ Week #7 - Ji July 28th - August 3rd

\_\_\_ Week #8 - A August 4th - August 10th