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Important Dates to Remember

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| June 12 | Waterfront Beaver Day
<i>Camp Glen Gray – Time TBD</i> | June 24 | Committee Meeting
<i>Municipal Building – 7:30pm</i> |
| June 14 | Flag Day
<i>Check your schools for ceremonies.</i> | June 26-27 | High Adventure Hike/Overnight *
DATE CHANGE *
<i>Appalachian Trail to Bear Mountain
Saturday 8am – Sunday 1pm</i> |
| June 16 | Troop Softball Game
<i>Finch Park – 6:00pm</i> | July 17-24 | High Adventure Camping
<i>West Virginia</i> |
| June 23 | NoBe Meeting (summer attendees)
<i>Masonic Lodge – 7:30pm</i> | August 1-7 | Summer Camping @ NoBeBoSco |

On-Deck Events:

September 8 – 1st PLC of New Year (All current PL's attend)

ELECTION RESULTS ARE IN!

Last month an election was held to determine which Scout would lead the Troop for next year's program. Evan Sisti edged out Kevin Sroczynski in the race for Senior Patrol Leader. The new Leadership Team for Troop 31 is as follows:

- SPL - Evan Sisti
- ASPL - Justin Larkin
- ASPL - Chris McKiever



Best of luck to the new Leaders, they have a great tradition to live up to. Good job, Kevin, on your race!

A BIG THANK YOU to Jarrett Floyd on a wonderful Scouting Program this year. Jarrett has led the Troop with mature Leadership and a thoughtful manner. His shoes will be hard to fill, but we are sure Evan is ready for the task!

NEW ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTERS!

The Cavalry has arrived! Troop 31 is proud to announce that we have 5 new ASM's.

Neeraj Chawla
Manny Morales
Dennis Smith
Ralph Venturini
Stuart Zweighaft



Training is underway, and in some cases, already completed. These new ASM's will help the Troop in many ways. Thank you for taking such an active part in the boys program. Your time will be well spent and the memories are priceless!

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ANNUAL PLC

Wow, what a program for next year! The PLC really did their homework and came up with a terrific activity list for next year! Some of the events are:

Geocaching
Centennial Camporee
2 Canoe Trips
State Police Camporee
Cooperstown & Howe Cavern
Chef Challenge & Overnight
Winter Cabin Camping
Snowtubing
Boston Historic Trip
West Point
White Water Rafting/Mountain Biking
Challenger Center
Belleayre Skiing
Newark Soup Kitchen



And that is just the start!

HIGH ADVENTURE HIGH – JUNE 26th and 27th (DATE CHANGE)

Due to an injury, the hike has been postponed till the last weekend in June, the 26th and 27th. See below for details. I am reopening up to people that could not make this weekend. Please get me permission slips by June 16, and an email if you can make it to Paul Keosayian at keosayian@verizon.net, cell 201-819-3175.



This will be a 13-mile hike starting at Tiorate Circle on Seven Lakes Drive. We will follow the Appalachian Trail to Bear Mountain and camp out on the trail. The high adventure part will be as follows. You will pack everything you need on your back - *that means sleeping bag, tent, clothes, and all your own food and snacks on your back.* The troop will be supplying nothing, unless of course you need a tent from the troop room. We will be checking all packs to make sure you have essentials, meaning plenty of food, snacks and of course water. Any questions, please contact Paul Keosayian at keosayian@verizon.net. This is a great hike for the Life Scouts and Venturers. I would like to see a big turnout of the older boys. The permission slip is on the website: http://www.bsa-troop31.org/100605_High_Adventure_Hike.pdf.

SCOUTMASTER CORNER

Well, another Scouting program year has come and gone. It has been a good year for the Troop.

New blood, in the form of new Scouts, Adult Leaders, and parents, have come into our Family. We have experienced great trips, made many happy memories, learned new skills, and most of all, made new friends. These are the friendships that last a lifetime. It is wonderful to share experiences with friends. How nice is it to reflect back on a memory with someone who shared that experience with you?



Since this is the end of one program year, that means that is the start of the next program year too! If you look above, you will see the events that the new Leadership Team put together at the PLC. It is a very ambitious plan, and one worthy of our Troop! Troop 31 has a great reputation as an Outdoors Troop. Well, here is our opportunity to prove it! I hope each one of you will participate in these events and start to create those happy memories!



Enjoy the summer. Take some time to start on or complete some Merit Badges and Requirements. I will see most of you at NoBeBoSco for a week of Scouting Fun.

Until then,
Yours In Scouting,
Mr. M. McKiever
Scoutmaster, Troop 31

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