PA DUTCH SCOUT SHOP NEWS

DECEMBER 2013

STORE CLOSINGS

The Scout Shop & Office will be closed November 28th & 29th for the Thanksgiving holiday and December 25th and January 1st for Christmas & New Year's Day. The office will close at noon on Dec 24th and 31st.

The Scout Shop will be closed December 24th through January 1st for yearend inventory. Please mark your calendars!

NEW ITEMS IN THE STORE

A new Scrapbooking Corner with albums, scout themed paper, and stickers is in the store. Stop in and check it out.

Think Holidays: Cub Scout Hoodies and BSA sleep pants are now available. Also Boy Scout & Cub Scout knit caps have arrived. We have a limited number of items and sizes but can order what you need.

BLUE & GOLD BANQUETS & SPECIAL AWARDS

February seems far off, but it is right around the corner. Start thinking ahead for special awards and banquet supplies you might need. Most items need to be ordered and we need 2 weeks advance notice. This includes plaques, trophies, certificates, patches, and paper products. Call the scout shop with the item number, description, quantity, and price to order.

PINEWOOD DERBY TIME

Pinewood Derby cars are in stock. Call and reserve your unit's cars today! We will have them ready for pick up when you arrive at the store.

There are limited supplies of weights, lubricants, colored wheels, and decals. Don't wait; start planning this great event today!

Scout Shop Contact Information

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TOUR PLAN REMINDERS

A few notes about tour plan submission:

- 1. Tour Plans are needed whenever you leave the Council borders, camp overnight regardless of borders, or plan an activity requiring special training such as boating & swimming.
- 2. The tour plan leader and the committee chair or charter rep must sign the plan for hard copies.
- 3. One registered leader must have YPT and Hazardous Weather training. These trainings expire every 2 years.
- 4. Tour Plans can be faxed to (717)394-7776, mailed to the council office, or brought in. Tour Plans may also be filed electronically through the my scouting website.
- 5. Vehicle information is needed for anyone transporting people other than their own family members.

REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE:

- 1. Eagle applications and Eagle Scout Project workbooks are electronic. The link is under advancement at www.padutchbsa.org.
- 2. If your unit is not able to attend the Roundtable, then stop in the Scout Shop and check your unit mailbox to stay up to date on activities, trainings, and other special announcements.
- 3. Internet Advancement issues usually deal with compatibility. In Internet Explorer check your compatibility under tools. If you are still having problems contact the National Help Desk at 972-580-2489.
- 4. Cabin rentals are going fast for choice months. If you need a cabin for an activity this winter call today and reserve. Please do not send registration form without first reserving by phone.
- 5. Advancement Reminder: 2 copies of your unit's internet advancement report are to be turned in when purchasing advancement. Troops also need to turn in the Application for Merit Badge also known as the blue card. All ranks, Webelos activity badges, & Boy Scout merit badges must be recorded.

PLACING CATALOG ORDERS

Orders can be placed and picked up at our Scout Shop with no S&H charges from quarterly catalogs or for items seen on <u>www.scoutstuff.org</u>. Allow 10-14 days for delivery. Call (717)394-4063 ext. 228 today. Have a Happy Holiday season! December is a great month for Community Service Projects! Lend a helping hand or bring a little cheer to someone in need of a smile!

COUNCIL INFORMATION & FORMS

Check out the PA Dutch website at <u>www.padutchbsa.org</u> for information about District activities, summer camp, weekend camp rentals, and much more.

Forms can be printed from the site. Just click on View Documents in the upper right corner on the Homepage and scroll down to the necessary form.

On line registration is available for limited events and training. You may access this tool from our website.

Scout Shop Hours

Labor Day to Memorial Day

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday

9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M

Wednesday

9:00 A.M to 7:00 P.M

SPECIAL PATCHES

A limited supply of Scouting for Food patches have arrived. Call and reserve these special patches for your unit today! Scout Sunday patches for 2014 are in! As soon as you know the number of patches needed for your unit call and reserve.