

# Troop 181 Newsletter

www.paoli181.com



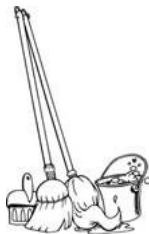
## Quail Hill Campout & the Battle of Monmouth Historic Trail

This upcoming camping event is planned for **Friday April 18<sup>th</sup> – Sunday April 20<sup>th</sup>**.

Please refer to the fact sheet for all the details at:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/paoli181/files/FactSheet-Quail%20Hill%20SR%20April%2018-20%202008%20v1.doc>

**We need adult drivers and attendees to come have fun with us, so call and sign up today.** Please contact **Jack Warnock** if you have any additional questions regarding this event.



## Cabin Cleanup

The annual troop cabin clean-up will be on **Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> 9-11 A.M.** Please come dressed for the weather. We'll be sweeping up including the roof, gathering wood, repairing tables and chairs etc. **Mike Dixon** is coordinating this event.



## Camping, Canoeing & Kayaking in the Pine Barrens

Stay tuned for more information on this event in the following weeks. It will be held from **Friday May 16<sup>th</sup> to Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup>**.

Please let **Mike Harris** know if you are going. He needs to know **10 days in advance**.



## Family Outing at Hershey Park

Please mark your calendars for this event which is planned for **Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup>**.

**Peter Griffin** is coordinating this event.

**Tickets will cost \$26.50 each if you email Peter with your commitment by this Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup>.** Otherwise the cost will jump to \$30.50 so please email him today at [griffinpeegee@aol.com](mailto:griffinpeegee@aol.com).



**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING SCOUTS:**

**Deri Harris, A.B. Maynard and Colin Weissman** – Life

**Andrew Weissman** - Star

**Joe DiGiorgio, Deri Harris, Clark Hillenbrand,** – Scholarship Merit Badge

**Clark Hillenbrand, Vincent Smith and Ian Wilson** – Pets Merit Badge

**Ian Wilson** – Environmental Science Merit Badge

**Adirondack Mountains High Adventure**

There are still two spaces open for this year's high adventure trek to **Wakpominnee Scout Reservation on July 5-13**. Please contact **A.B. Maynard** to join the crew.

**Summer Camp Payments Due**

**Reminder!** – The final payments for summer camp are due no later than May 21<sup>st</sup>. If you have money in your scout account from fund raising, you can use it for this camping. Please make your check payable to **Troop 181** and send to **Jane Harris**.



**Fundraising Committee News**

Four fundraising events will be held over the course of the year, and the scouts are strongly encouraged to participate in at least one. Of course, the scouts are welcome to participate in all four events. To make our budget, each scout's annual contribution is **\$125**. These fundraising activities are designed to enable any scout who wishes to

do so to raise his entire contribution.

The first fund raiser is the **Pancake Breakfast on Sunday June 8<sup>th</sup> from 8-10 AM at the Wayne United Methodist Church on South Wayne Avenue**. To assure a big success, we need parent volunteers for the various activities planned including a 50/50 raffle, among other things. The price will be \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for kids. **Gene Christner** is the coordinator for this inaugural event. A big thank you to him and everyone on the Fund Raising Committee, headed by **Scott Wilson**, for all of their efforts!

**PLC News**

**April 1<sup>st</sup> 2008 – Class B:**

Continue Aviation Merit Badge with Mr. Perme. Meet promptly at 3:30 PM at the church, travel to airport and return at 6:00 PM.

**April 8<sup>th</sup> 2008 – Class A - Cabin:**

Finish Aviation Merit Badge. Meet 7:30 at the cabin. Foam plate glider contest and patrol meetings/knot race. Put on a skit for a Wolf den, guests from Pack 111.

**April 15<sup>th</sup> 2008 – Class B - BUMC:**

Prepare menus for the upcoming Quail Hill campout. "Surprise" QM gear inspection and a tent set up contest.

**April 22<sup>nd</sup> 2008 - NO MEETING**

**April 27<sup>th</sup> – Next PLC Meeting @ Miller's**

**April 29<sup>th</sup> 2008 – Class B – Cabin:**

Mr. Siah will be running an Astronomy demonstration. Eric and Scott Dixon will teach Indian dancing. Return any gear sent home for cleaning.

**Troop Committee Chair Search**

**Linda Bravacos** has graciously agreed to be our next Troop Committee Chair. Thank

you Linda! Thanks also to **David Miller, Mike Dixon and Cindy Sharo** who helped conduct the search to replace Jack Warnock who will resign his post effective at the end of the Court of Honor at summer camp in July.

### Next Parents Meeting

The next parents meeting will be at **7:30pm on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at BUMC**. It is important to have at least one parent from each family attend and make their own commitments to our events.



### BSA's new rank requirements

Please refer to the following link for updates:

<http://www.scouting.org/BoyScouts/AdvancementandAwards/2008RankUpdates.aspx>

### Friends of Scouting

Please return your Pledge Cards as soon as possible to **Bharat Rao**. This is the last call. Many thanks to everyone who contributed in their support of Chester County Council.

### Adult Youth Protection Training

Volunteering at Troop 181 events is a wonderful thing you can do for yourself and your son. It is always appreciated and encouraged. If you are volunteering, it would be a good idea to take the time to get certified with the **BSA Youth Protection Training for Adults**. **This certification is valid for 3 years**. It's easy to do on-line. Just go to the council website at [www.cccbsa.org](http://www.cccbsa.org), go to **Training**, and look under **Youth Protection Training**. At the end of the on-line training they will ask for your **ID number – that number is your social security number**. It's fast and easy.

Please let **Cindy Sharo**, our Training Coordinator, know when you have completed your course.

*Every Scout deserves a trained leader.  
Please do your part to oblige him.*

### National Youth Leadership Training

**All PLC scouts are eligible and highly encouraged to attend!** This training provides the boys in leadership with the skills necessary for their success. The course is held over two weekends in May: **May 9<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup>** and **May 16<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup>**. All participants must commit to, and attend, all three days of both weekends to complete the course. **The troop reimburses you for half the cost**. Registration details can be found at:

<https://www.doubleknot.com/registration/calendardetail.asp?ActivityKey=336086>

### Free CPR/First Aid Training

Classes will be held at the Government Services Center on Westtown Road in West Chester on multiple dates. The next one offered is on **Thursday evening May 8<sup>th</sup> and all day Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup>**. For details, please refer to:

[http://www.cccbsa.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=551&Itemid=6](http://www.cccbsa.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=551&Itemid=6)

### Troop Yahoo Groups Sign-Up

If you haven't already signed up for the **Yahoo Groups for Troop 181**, please refer to the email from Bhaskar and do so. Any e-mail sent to [paoli181@yahoogroups.com](mailto:paoli181@yahoogroups.com) will be forwarded to everyone who is a subscriber to the group.

### Scout Recruiting

**Scouts, earn the BSA Recruiter patch by recruiting any of your friends and Webelos Scouts to join the troop.** In fact,

simply pitching Boy Scouting to a friend is a requirement for First Class rank. **A very easy way to do this is to copy the tri-fold handout about the troop and give it to your friends.** To find the tri-fold go to:

[http://f1.grp.yahooofs.com/v1/8Nn8R9-r\\_g9RvNVDnGlo74zvG0j4gDTj5G7Jw1V5vuKu5a8lhmi\\_12JW-MY2Qy7bDJPaR5pFdLKez6pi-0RCoQ/Paoli%20181%20Scout%20Info%20Brochure.pdf](http://f1.grp.yahooofs.com/v1/8Nn8R9-r_g9RvNVDnGlo74zvG0j4gDTj5G7Jw1V5vuKu5a8lhmi_12JW-MY2Qy7bDJPaR5pFdLKez6pi-0RCoQ/Paoli%20181%20Scout%20Info%20Brochure.pdf)

Parents can help too. **Please talk up Troop 181 and recruit a new Boy Scout today.**

### Co-Scoutmaster Assignments

The following adult leaders have committed to be Co-Scoutmasters of the Month to support the troop:

**Mr. Ryczyn – April**

**Mr. McCarty – May**

**Mr. Hillenbrand – June**

**Mr. Piotti – July**

Please call the Co-Scoutmaster if you have a “Mr. Miller question” and he is not home. **Please remember to support them too by attending the troop meeting to which you have been assigned (check your troop calendar for your commitment) so we always have at least “two-deep leadership” at each meeting.**



### Troop Adult Leadership

**Jack Warnock – Troop Committee Chair**  
610-722-2673

**David Miller - Scoutmaster**  
610-213-3188

**A.B. Maynard**– Camping Committee Chair  
610-578-0493

**Vince Piotti** – Advancement Committee Chair  
610-296-9058

**Donna McCarty**- Court of Honor Comm. Chair  
610-644-0255

**Scott Wilson** – Fund Raising Comm. Chair  
610-964-8467

**Mike Dixon** – Cabin Committee Chair  
610-827-1991

**Jayashree Bhaskar** – Communications Comm. Chair  
610-296-7332

**Joe DiGiorgio** – Finance Committee Chair  
610-688-1126

**Mike Harris**- Quartermaster  
610-647-0808

**Cindy Sharo** – Training Coordinator  
610-293-9177

**Mike Brown** - Charter Organization Representative  
610-688-2853

**Joan Johnson-Levin**– Recruiting Coordinator  
484-595-0279

**Gus Rolotti**- Friends of Scouting Coordinator  
610-783-0294

**Ron Bellamy**- Treasurer  
610-644-0879

***Please see the troop roster for the Boy Scout Youth Leadership contact information.***

### 2007-2008 Calendar of Key Events

**Apr. 12** – Cabin Clean-Up

**Apr. 18-20** – Camping – Battle of Monmouth Medal Trail Hike – Quail Hill SR

**May 16-18** – Camping & Kayaking – Pine Barrens

**May 31** – Outing – Hershey

**June 8** – Pancake Breakfast Fund Raiser

**June 20-22** – Camping – Fun in the Sun -  
Cape Henlopen

**July 20-27** – Summer Camp – Camp  
Horseshoe

**July 5-13** – Adirondack Mtn. High Adventure  
Trek – Wakpominnee SR

**Aug. 17** – *PLC Annual Planning Meeting for  
2008-2009*