TROOP 246 NEWSLETTER

September, 2000

Meetings

9/12 9/19 9/26 Eagles Set up/Clean up Lightnings Set up/Clean up Aquabats Set up/Clean up

Events

9/22-24

Cape May - Coast Guard Trip

Welcome Back

to our 2000/2001 season! I hope everyone had a great Summer. Now, let's make this a great season!!

<u>Please make every effort to attend the season's first meeting on September 12th!</u>

An updated activities plan for the season will be discussed. We have a full schedule of events this year. The web site http://www.geocities.com/bsa_troop_24 6/html/calendar.html lists them all and who the activity leaders are.

New troop leadership positions will also be announced.

We want to start troop meetings promptly this year. Inform the Senior Patrol Leader of meeting agenda items the week before, and arrive for the meeting **by 7:25p.m.**

Recent Events

<u>Rafting Trip</u> - in June was a great success. This year, we went the weekend of the dam release, so we had fantastic white water. Scheduling these trips during dam release is definitely worth it!

Summer Camp - in August at Goose Pond was a good time for those who attended. Congratulations to the scouts on earning 65 merit badges at summer camp. A lot of enthusiasm was displayed for not only earning badges, but also in participation in the variety of other events the camp offered.

The troop won the QWERTY award for participation in events like the survivor contest, patrol cope, hikes, polar bear swim etc. The troop also earned an Order of the Arrow award for having over 1/2 of our troop at summer camp.

The great event of the week was the archery contest between Mr. Schneck and Mr. Rice where Mr. Schneck just barely made it by Mr. Rice. Mr. Schneck is carving a plaque to be displayed in the camp dining hall at Goose Pond.

Coming Events

Cape May - Coast Guard Trip Sept 22-24th. For our first trip, we have arranged an exciting 2-nights camp out. We will camp at the Coast Guard station in Camp May where we will get a tour of the base and have Sunday breakfast at the mess hall. In between, we have a number of activities planned (depending upon scout interest) including sports (baseball, basketball), swimming, visit to the zoo and of course our famous cookouts. Details will be provided at the first troop meeting on Sept 12th.

Note: This trip leaves Friday evening!

Note from the Editor

ATTENTION ACTIVITY LEADERS!!!

This year, I'd like activity leaders (Scout <u>and/or</u> Adult – Scout preferred) for each activity to provide a short write-up to announce details for upcoming activities, and a short report of the trip afterwards.

This issue's Cape May write-up was supplied by Mr. Ehrenreich, and the summer camp report was written by Mr. Palframan. Thanks!

Anyone want to provide a Philmont report??

<u>Send items no later than one week before the first meeting of the month.</u>

Don't worry too much about polishing up your submission – I'll be happy to do any final editing (of course, I'll also be happy if I don't have to do much editing!) Items can be submitted via email (plain text or Word 7.0), regular mail, or by phone. Email is preferred.

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