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May, 2001

Meetings

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All meetings at Nut Swamp

Events

5/5-6	Venture Backpacking Trip
5/12	Postal Worker Food Drive
5/19-20	Mt Allamuchy Biking Trip
5/28	American Legion Memorial Day Parade

Scout of March

Dan Feldman

Congratulations, Dan!

Coming Events

<u>Postal Worker Food Drive</u> May 12th This is an "off season" food drive -- doesn't it seem like <u>everyone</u> collects food in the November-December timeframe? This is a food drive to help stock pantries when there is less of focus on food drives, but just as much a need. Stay tuned at the meetings for details.

<u>Mt Allamuchy Biking Trip</u> May 19th - 20th. Let grab our bike and head out to the bike trails at Mt Allamuchy for a fun and exciting biking experience.

<u>Memorial Day Parade</u> May 28th. We have an opportunity to march in the American

Legion Post 338 Memorial Day Parade. Details to follow.

Recent Events

<u>Camporee</u> April 27th - April 29th. This Year's Camporee was held at Gateway National Recreation Area, Sandy Hook, with the theme of "Explore the Shore". We explored the forts, and cleared out a lot of the brush and weeds around the fort. The weather was great, and some scouts came home with the season's first sunburn, as well as a few cases of poison ivy.

<u>Church Shed</u> We completed the work on restoring the Church's shed, complete with a new roof and shingles. Thanks to all who participated.

Items of Interest

<u>Summer Camp</u> will be July 22nd to 28th. Summer camp offers a wide range of merit

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badges and lots of camping fun. It's easy to get 4 or 5 badges during your week-long stay at camp. Now is a good time to think about what badges you might want to earn and review the requirements. You will need to sign up for your badges before camp.

<u>Medical/Physical Forms must be</u> <u>completed prior to summer camp.</u> Adult medicals are only good for one year. Scout medicals are good for three years. Make sure yours is current; <u>you will not be allowed to</u> <u>attend if your medical is out of date or</u> <u>incomplete!</u>

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.

Thanks to the Scouts who submitted their write-ups for this month's newsletter. Let's get even more participation next month.

Send items no later than one week before the first meeting of the month.

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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ATTENTION ACTIVITY LEADERS!!!