



BSA Troop 76 Fairfield, Pennsylvania

August 18th, 2021

Well we are at the end of what has been an eventful year! We have seen the pandemic wax and wane, schools open, close, then open again, yet through it all one thing that has remained constant is Troop 76. We have persevered, even excelled through it all. Our troop has ballooned to almost 30 members. We have a robust leadership team, with multiple parents willing to volunteer to fill different roles within the troop. We have taken two major trips- one to Driftwood Pennsylvania, and one to Eastport, Maine. We've welcomed our first foreign exchange student into our troop and so much more. I personally want to say thank you to all the parents and scouts who've given so much of their time and talents to create such a successful organization. Below is a list of upcoming events as we move into fall and prepare for the new scout year.

August

21-Saturday 10:00AM Rehearsal for the 9/11 memorial ceremony. (I only need patrol or assistant patrol leaders for the rehearsal)

23-Monday 6:30PM Scout Meeting at the shack- BRING YOUR TENT

24-Tuesday- 6:30PM End of Summer pool party at Ryan Morris' house (PLEASE RSVP AS HE WILL PROVIDE PIZZA).

28- Saturday- Kids Day at the Farmers Market in Gettysburg, We will have a tent set-up (Class A Event)

Service Hours*

30- PLC 7:00pm Venturas (Patrol leaders and assistant patrol leaders only)

September

04- Saturday 1PM Troop Planning meeting (SPL,PL,APL,Quartermaster only,ASM's)***Subject to Committee Chair availability****

06- Monday 630PM Scout Meeting at the shack (Class A inspection)

11- Saturday 10am 9/11 memorial ceremony at St Mary's church. Class A uniform required

13- Monday 630PM scout meeting at the shack

18-19- Saturday and Sunday Muddy Run Pow Wow (volunteer and camping opportunity with Native American tribe more details coming soon)

20- Monday 630PM scout meeting to prepare for pippinfest

25-26- Saturday and Sunday PIPPINFEST ALL HANDS ON DECK

27- Monday 700PM PLC

October

02- Saturday 2:00 PM Bowling

04- Monday 630PM Scout Meeting at the Shack

15-16 Friday, Saturday- Camping Jacob's farm

18- NO MEETING

25- ***Haunted Mill Trip*** (Possible)

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November

01- Monday 630pm Scout meeting at the shack
06- Saturday 10am AT hike
08- Monday 630PM Scout meeting at the fire hall
15- NO MEETING
22- Monday 630pm Scout meeting at the shack
29- Monday PLC meeting 700pm location TBD

December

06- Monday 630pm Scout meeting at the shack
11- Saturday 400pm winter court of honor, location TBD
13- Monday 630pm Scout meeting at the shack
17-18 Friday Saturday winter lock-in or camping
20- NO MEETING
27-Monday PLC meeting 700pm location TBD

I would like to remind everyone that the council AND the national associations of Scouts BSA are raising their costs for the upcoming year. The total cost for a scout will be \$150.00 to participate in the scouting program. We can no longer rely on the Lions club to be our sponsors financially. We MUST have a successful Pippinfest in order for the cost to be mitigated. Every scout who works during Pippinfest will be able to use scout bucks to help pay for their dues. Any extra monies will go towards paying for future trips within the troop.

In closing, we have had a tremendous year, and we still have more to come! I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that our troop is only successful because of YOUR commitment! As we move towards the school year remember that recruiting is key to our success. I wish all a tremendous start to the school year!

Yours in Scouting,



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