

# THE PADDLE

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## Calendar of Events

**THESE DATES ARE CORRECT!  
DATES IN THE PRINTED COUNCIL  
CALENDAR ARE NOT.**

- January 8-10  
Okpik Winter Camping Training  
Camp Massawepie  
See enclosed flier!
- **January 23-24 note new weekend!**  
District Klondike Derby  
Mendon Ponds Park
- February 20 (Tentative)  
Merit Badge University  
RIT
- March 12  
Scouting for Food Distribution
- March 19  
Scouting for Food Collection
- April 2  
District Pinewood Derby
- April 22-24  
District Spring Camporee
- June 8  
District Picnic

## Remember, Roundtable remains on the second Wednesday of the month for the 2014-2015 Scouting Season!

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## December Roundtable Highlights

Please join us for our December Roundtable at this year's location, our Scout Service Center at 2320 Brighton Henrietta Town Line Road.



***Come for the Human Scavenger Hunt, and stay for the munchies! Please bring snacks or a dish to pass and share some holiday spirit with Scouting friends after an abbreviated meeting.***

In Boy Scout roundtable we will have a presentation from Sam Poulton about opportunities hiking historic trails.

Cub Scouting in January focuses on the 1st point of the scout law: trustworthy. The theme is "the great race."

**Please bring a friend to Roundtable!**



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# Commissioner's Notes ☯

## Rechartering Extravaganza

Thank you to all the volunteers who made our Rechartering Extravaganza a success! Pancakes and sausage were served up with coffee and computers! Commissioners were on hand to answer questions including our outgoing District Commissioner, Chuck Arnold; our District Chair, District Vice-Chair and two young scout assistants cooked up yummy pancakes while our DE answered questions and wore a path in the carpet between the office and our workroom to get whatever we needed.

A total of 16 Charters were handed in that day, and a number of others were finalized with only the need of a few signatures to complete the process. Thank you to all the units who have put in some much effort to get their Re-charters complete.

## Roundtable

Substantial effort goes into the planning of Roundtable each month. Our goal is to ensure that we are offering the information that Black Creek District needs to continue to move forward and grow, as well as enable our adult leaders to provide the best Scouting program available to the youth of our community.

We are working to keep Roundtable efficient and need your help on a couple of things:

- Please keep us informed of what you need at Roundtable
- Notify me in advance of any announcements you'd like to make at Roundtable
- Unit specific concerns should be saved for the networking time after the meeting
- Attend!!
- Volunteers are needed to keep Black Creek District running, let us know if you or someone you know is able to help!

## Commissioners

Every unit deserves a Commissioner. This is your direct link to the District and Council to get you all the answers and support you need to run a successful program. If you have not heard from your Commissioner in a while, it may be that we don't have one assigned to your unit. We are working on getting all units represented as soon as possible. If you are interested in serving as a Unit Commissioner, please let me know!! It's a rewarding position that serves all aspects of scouting!

## Did you know?

### Unit College Scouter Reserve

Do you have a Scout that has aged out of the Boy Scout program and is heading off to college but who still wants to be involved with their Boy Scout Troop? They do not have to register as an Assistant Scoutmaster and take all of the required trainings that position requires. Instead they can register as Unit College Scouter Reserve (U92) with the only training requirement being YPT. Minimum age is 17, maximum is 21 (when they can register as committee members).



## Invite us to Eagle Ceremonies! ☯

Black Creek District leadership would like the opportunity to publically recognize new Eagle Scouts from our Troops and Crews with a personalized certificate, presented directly to the Scouts, at their Eagle award ceremony. We don't automatically know who has recently earned Scouting's highest award, or when any Eagle ceremony will happen. Please invite us to your unit's Eagle ceremonies, so that we can prepare a certificate and personally present it. Send invitations to Kirsten Tornatore in the Scout Office. Thank you!



# Black Creek Events ☯

## Klondike Derby

This year's Black Creek Klondike will be held on Mendon Ponds Park and will have several changes. We are employing an Olympic theme, including awarding by the usual gold, silver and bronze medals. We are also working to create two sets of events, the circuit and the challenge. The circuit will have the usual events of Fire Building, Ice Rescue, Ten Essentials for winter camping, and will also have a new feature in the Biathlon. The Challenge events include a Quinzee shelter building, a "Chopped" Dutch oven, Tug o' war, Snow Sculptures, and a new twist on the sled race. This year's race will require transporting "medicine" to the village, and the more people you rescue in the shortest amount of time will win.

We have also invited the Towpatch District, and Venture Crews have asked to participate as well. Over all, we are very excited to try these new things, and hope this is a solid start to an ever improving event. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Scoutmaster Hill, Troop 122



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# Boy Scout Requirement Changes ☯

By Stephen Goss, goss.stephenm@gmail.com

Starting January 1, 2016 the new Boy Scout requirements become effective and the new Boy Scout handbook will be released. We know what many of you are wondering - wow will we transition youth into these new requirements? Lucky for us the National Advancement Team thought ahead and came up with the following solution.

For 2016:

- Boys joining on or after Jan. 1, 2016 MUST use the new requirements.
- Boys who have joined prior to Jan. 1, 2016:
  - Who are working on the Scout badge MAY continue to work on the existing requirements, but MUST convert to the new requirements upon completion of the Scout badge.
  - Who are working on Tenderfoot through First Class MAY continue to work on the existing requirements, but MUST convert to the new requirements upon attaining First Class.
  - Who have completed First Class MAY complete the rank they are currently working on in the existing requirements, but then MUST convert to the new requirements for subsequent ranks.

For 2017: All Scouts MUST use the new requirements regardless of rank.

To find out more information about the program changes, browse to: <http://www.scouting.org/programupdates>

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# Scouting for Food and Clothing ☯

Our 28th year of serving the community! Black Creek District will be signing up Troops, Cub Packs, and Girl Scout Units to volunteer, so as you put together this year's calendar save the dates.

Bag distribution: March 12th, 2016 and Bag Pick up: March 19th, 2016

Thank you for your help! We look forward to making next year's collection a big success.

John Hellaby and Al Hellaby, Black Creek Scouting for Food Chairs



# Boy Scout Roundtable &

By Valerie Polachak, Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner

Happy Hanukkah and Merry Christmas to all Black Creek Scouters! As I look back upon this year, the seasons were slow to begin and end. Not long ago I still had raspberries, onions, and lettuce plants! It was wonderful to be able to enjoy these plants so late in the season. I know this time last year we had roughly two feet of snow on the ground, and this year it has been hardly an inch of snow. Will we have a white Christmas? A white Klondike? Time will tell...

This month we will be have a shorter break-out session with Sam Poulton, who will speak to us on Historic Trails. This will leave us time for our holiday party, immediately after the business portion of our meeting.

I want leave you all with this thought: I wish all scouters out there a wonderful safe holiday time!

“Christmas is not a time nor a season, but a state of mind. To cherish peace and goodwill, to be plenteous in mercy, is to have the real spirit of Christmas.” – Calvin Coolidge, 30th president of the United States

## DISTRICT ROUNDTABLE

Second Wednesday of every month at 7pm

Seneca Waterways Council Offices  
2320 Brighton Henrietta Town Line Road

Come join us at Roundtable for an informative meeting, training breakout and networking opportunity for all Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Venturing volunteers. Every unit should be represented!

## Key Youth Protection Resources &

Do you know about these resources and is your unit using these videos regularly?

### *It Happened to Me*

This video should be used annually by Cub Scout packs or dens when Cub Scouts are accompanied by a parent or other adult family member. English and Spanish parent's guide and instructor facilitator guides are available.

### *A Time to Tell*

This video should be used annually by Boy Scout Troops with a Scout Leader present and available to facilitate. Parents should feel free to attend. English and Spanish parent's guide and instructor/facilitator guides are available.

### *Personal Safety Awareness*

This video should be used annually by Venture Crews with

a Scout Leader present and available to facilitate. Parents should feel free to attend. English and Spanish parent's guide and instructor/facilitator guides are available. The version used for Venturing covers issues including date rape and suicide along with abuse, bullying and cyber issues. A future version for Boy Scouts will add these topics.

Contact Kirsten to borrow these, or purchase them at ScoutStuff.org.

Feel free to contact me with questions or for help.

Chuck Arnold

Assistant Council Commissioner, YPT Champion  
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## Pack Meeting Plans and New Adventures &

Interested in having the Pack Meeting Plans for the new Cub Scout program? You're in luck. On scouting.org you can find the new Pack Meeting Plans for both 2015-2016 and 2016-2017. Why would you want to use the Pack Meeting Plans? Because most of the planning work has been done for you. Each plan corresponds with a point of the Scout Law and some have reminders to included adventure activities for the new Cub Scout Program. You can find out more about the new Pack Meeting Plans here:

<http://www.scouting.org/home/cubscouts/leaders/cubmasterresources/packmeetingplans.aspx>

As many of you already know the Cub Scouting program is changing to an adventure based program. I bet you are wondering what that really means for each rank requirement. Well, you're in luck. On scouting.org in the program updates section the BSA has posted all the new rank advancement requirements. You can find a list of all the new requirements here:

[http://www.scouting.org/filestore/program\\_update/pdf/Appended%20Requirements.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/program_update/pdf/Appended%20Requirements.pdf)



# Order of the Arrow

By Bryan Hitchings, Black Creek Chapter Chief

Hello Black Creek Scouts and Scouters,

This month I just wanted to make you aware of some lodge and chapter events that will be happening soon including the Lodge Banquet, lodge officer elections, our Chapter Gathering, new member elections season and ceremonies and service to the Klondike.

First off The Lodge Banquet will be taking place in January at the Burgundy Basin Inn on January 17th 2016 from 4pm -8pm. This is an important event for Arrowmen to attend especially youth as it is when the lodges youth officer elections will be taking place. All youth are allowed to vote at this event so make sure that you are there and that your voice is heard. In addition two Arrowmen for our district are running for officer positions this year, Peter Huber is running for Lodge Chief and I am running for Chapter Chief.

Second, our Monthly Chapter Activity will be doing Cosmic Bowling on December 18th at 9pm. Prices will be released over Facebook and Email. Please send a note to [blackcreekchief@googlegroups.com](mailto:blackcreekchief@googlegroups.com) letting me know that you will be able to make it. In Addition there will be a raffle at this event for Youth Members so be sure to attend.

Third, new member election season is upon us once again. As with last month, Our Vice Chief of elections and I will be in attendance at Round Table this week during the Boy Scout breakout we will be in the back with a calendar come find us and we will help you schedule your Troops OA election or visit.

For an election we will come to your troop meeting on the date you give us and we will talk to your boys about the Order of the Arrow. Before the meeting you will have to get the names and contact info of all the boys that are eligible to be elected into the Order. After we speak about The Order we will conduct an election by secret ballot. In order to go on to the next step, The Induction, a scout must re-

ceive 50% + 1 votes from the boys present that night. For a visit we will show up at the meeting that you have specified and we will simply talk about the Order and its history, how to identify an Arrowman, and how one joins the Order of the Arrow.

It is important to note here that adults are not elected as are youth. They are instead nominated by their troop's committee and if they are approved by the Lodges Adult Leaders they will be eligible to join the Order of the Arrow.

Fourth, I wanted to let your know that we have a Chapter ceremonies team. So if you are or know a Webelos II Den Leader that would like an OA Crossover Ceremony in the spring contact us. If you are a new Eagle Scout that would like to have the Four Winds ceremony contact us. In both cases please let us know when you would like us to be there, where we will be and if you have anything special to add to the ceremony.

Finally, I have been asked by the Klondike event chair, Kevin Hill to provide some staff for the District Klondike Derby in January. In the next few months I will be looking for Youth and Adult Arrowmen to step up and help us out by running and supervising events. This year sounds like a fun year for The Klondike let us help make it the best it can be.

At the bottom of this article I have included my contact info. Feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

Yours in Brotherhood ,

Bryan Hitchings, Black Creek Chapter Chief

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## Key Information Links for New Cub Program

New Cub Handbook Samplers

[http://www.scouting.org/filestore/program\\_update/pdf/220-851\\_LO.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/program_update/pdf/220-851_LO.pdf)

Sampler Den Leader Guides

[http://www.scouting.org/filestore/program\\_update/pdf/220-852\\_LO.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/program_update/pdf/220-852_LO.pdf)

Sampler Adventure Requirement and Insignia

[http://www.scouting.org/filestore/program\\_update/pdf/Appended%20Requirements.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/program_update/pdf/Appended%20Requirements.pdf)

Introduction to Ethan, a new Cub Scouts Guide

[http://www.scouting.org/filestore/program\\_update/pdf/Ethan.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/program_update/pdf/Ethan.pdf)



# The Scoutmaster Guides the Boy in the Spirit of an Older Brother ∞

As a preliminary word of comfort to intending Scoutmasters, I should like to contradict the usual misconception that, to be a successful Scoutmaster, a man must be an Admirable Crichton — a know-all. Not a bit of it.

He has simply to be a boy-man, that is:

He must have the boy spirit in him; and must be able to place himself on a right plane with his boys as a first step.

He must realize the needs, outlooks and desires of the different ages of boy life.

He must deal with the individual boy rather than with the mass.

He then needs to promote a corporate spirit among his individuals to gain the best results. With regard to the first point, the Scoutmaster has to be neither schoolmaster nor commanding officer, nor pastor, nor instructor. All that is needed is the capacity to enjoy the out-of-doors, to enter into the boys' ambitions, and to find other men who will give them instruction in the desired directions, whether it be signaling or drawing, nature study or pioneering.

He has got to put himself on the level of the older brother, that is, to see things from the boy's point of view, and to lead and guide and give enthusiasm in the right direction. Like the true older brother he has to realize the traditions of the family and see that they are preserved, even if considerable firmness is required. That is all. The Movement is a jolly fraternity, all the jollier because in the game of Scouting you are doing a big thing for others, you are combating the breeding of selfishness.

Regarding the second point, the various handbooks cover the successive phases of adolescent life.

Thirdly, the business of the Scoutmaster — and a very interesting one it is — is to draw out each boy and find out what is in him, and then to catch hold of the good and develop it to the exclusion of the bad. There is five per cent of good even in the worst character. The sport is to find it, and then to develop it on to an 80 or 90 per cent basis. This is education instead of instruction of the young mind.

Fourth. In the Scout training the Patrol or gang system gives the corporate expression of the individual training, which brings into practice all that the boy has been taught.

The Patrol System has also a great character-training value if it is used aright. It leads each boy to see that he has some individual responsibility for the good of his Patrol. It leads each Patrol to see that it has definite responsibility for the good of the Troop. Through it the Scoutmaster is able to pass on not only his instruction but his ideas as to the moral outlook of his Scouts. Through it the Scouts themselves gradually learn that they have considerable say in what their Troop does. It is the Patrol System that makes the Troop, and all Scouting for that matter, a real co-operative effort.

Drawn from Aids to Scoutmastership by  
Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell (1857-1941)



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## Thoughts from the Chair ∞

It's always good to reflect on blessings we have received, and to give thought to how we can bless others. My Christmas prayer is that you would find both in your lives.

This month brings a close to Popcorn sales, and a start to our annual Friends of Scouting campaign. Candidly, it can be fatiguing to move so quickly from one funding program to another, if we don't reflect on why we're doing it.

As I think about all that I have received through the Scouting program, I'm re-energized to make this great program available to more of today's youth. That, of course, requires money. Money is a necessary component that supplements all the great work of our Black Creek volunteers.

Last year around this time, I sat in the living room of a Scouter that had been a tremendously influential adviser when I was an Order of the Arrow lodge officer. I had the opportunity to thank him for the way he poured into my life

during some critical years. There was a long pause — almost uncomfortable — and then he quietly said, "that's almost the same thing I said to my former adviser some 20 years ago. There's a reason we do this."

There's a reason we do this. For a young Scout or Crew member to grow in character and confidence. For a young person to develop leadership skills and be a difference-maker. For an adult to look back and say thank you for making a difference in my life. (And to make friends that last a lifetime!).

In this season, let us give thanks, let us rededicate ourselves being difference-makers, and re-purpose to do the things that support the world's premier youth development program.

Giving thanks for you,

Ethan Crist, Black Creek District Chair

# Nominate a Worthy Scouter for the Silver Beaver ☸

Tim Lynch has been the Chair of the Silver Beaver Selection Committee for the last four years. He has asked me, as Immediate Past Council President, to assume that responsibility in 2016. I am happy to take on that position and thank Tim for his past service.

As the new Chair of the Silver Beaver Selection Committee I thought it would be important to share some thoughts and explain the process so we are all on the same page.

The Council will be using the National Nomination Form for 2016. The Form is available on the Council and National websites, from District Executives and from Chris Crittenden at the Council Service Center (241-8580 or [christine.crittenden@scouting.org](mailto:christine.crittenden@scouting.org)).

All Nominations need to be submitted by March 1, 2016 to Chris Crittenden at the Service Center (Seneca Waterways Council, BSA; 2320 Brighton-Henrietta Town Line Road; Rochester, New York 14623).

The qualifications for a Silver Beaver Nominee are set forth on the application. Nominees must:

- Be a registered Scouter;
- Have made an impact on the lives of youth through service given to the Council.

The Selection Committee will meet at a mutually agreeable date in mid-March 2016 to select recipients. In advance of that meeting, Committee members will be provided with copies of all nominations.

My intent is to have at least one representative from each District participate on the Selection Committee. Each year I plan on having the prior year's recipients sit on the Committee (2015 recipients on 2016 Committee). If a District did not have recipient the prior year I will contact the District Chair to discuss an appropriate representative from the District.

Based on the number of units registered at the end of 2015, the Council should have seven or eight Silver Beavers to award in 2016. They Council also has a bank of five additional awards which could be accessed if we had an exceptional number of qualified candidates.

In that regard, my philosophy is that we should recognize only candidates that truly meet the criteria for the Silver Beaver award. That could result in awarding less than seven or eight Silver Beavers in 2016 or exceeding that number and using the bank to recognize all deserving nominees.



Finally, I urge all Districts to highly publicize the Award and nomination process to their Districts, and encourage the timely nomination of worthy candidates.

If I can be of any assistance to you, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (585) 813-7305 or [dlippitt@rochester.rr.com](mailto:dlippitt@rochester.rr.com).

Yours in Scouting,  
David Lippitt

Silver Beaver Nomination Form:

[http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-103\\_WB.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-103_WB.pdf)

# Helping our Youth Achieve More ∞

As scouters, we share the goals of the Boy Scouts of America.

“The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law.”

We also hope to see them become better leaders and role models for those around them. Respectively, the Eagle Scout and Summit awards for Boy Scouts and Venturers are symbols of that accomplishment. At the same time, they are preparing to graduate from High School and in many cases planning for college.

All youth suffer some anxiety going through the application process and waiting to hear if they've been accepted to the schools they hope to attend. A fringe benefit of the scouting awards is that they provide college admissions staff a tangible assessment of a youth's ability to deal with the rigors of academia in a setting where they must function independently and in a new social environment. This gives our youth an edge.

We can help them improve their chances even more by taking advantage of a program called the Congressional Award.

“The Congressional Award, a public-private partnership, established by Congress in 1979 under Public Law 96-114, is a non-competitive program open to young people ages 14-23, regardless of mental or physical challenges, or socioeconomic status. The Congressional Award Foundation teaches participants to set and achieve personally challenging goals that build character, and foster community service, personal development, and citizenship.”

For both Boy Scouts and Venture Scouts, the program aligns very well with the things the youth are already doing as a part of the scouting program. In fact, the Congressional Award mirrors the Venturing achievements because it involves setting and achieving goals in the areas of:

- Community Service
- Personal Growth
- Physical Fitness
- Expedition/Exploration



*Public Law 96-114, The Congressional Award Act*

## The Congressional Award

So how do we our scouts involved? Youth must first register with the program at [www.congressionalaward.org](http://www.congressionalaward.org). In order to register, a youth needs to list his/her congressional district and the name of their congressional member. They will also need to print out a waiver and send in a check for \$10.00 to finalize the registration process.

The registration form will ask for the name of the youth's advisor for this process. The Congressional Award program describes the advisor's role as:

- Meeting with the youth to set acceptable and challenging goals
- Staying in touch with the youth throughout their pursuit of the award
- Helping youth put together their award booklet to submit when they have completed their goals.

The advisor can be any adult who is not a member of the youth's family. Teachers, coaches, civic leaders, neighbors and close family friends can be excellent advisors.

Guess what? You are in a perfect role to help them!

Our youth are already doing things that satisfy the requirements for the Congressional Award. Why not present them with an opportunity to stretch a little more and earn an award that will help them in their struggle to be successful.

I hope you take advantage of this program to help your youth to do their best!

Jeremy Wyatt

Scoutmaster – Troop 334

Associate Advisor – Crew 7



# 2017 National Scout Jamboree ☸

The Jamboree is coming!

Believe it or not, we are already preparing for the 2017 National Scout Jamboree, to be held July 19-28, 2017 at the Summit, the new home of the Jamboree in West Virginia.

There are eight different canopy tours. (Ropes and platforms in tree tops.) Each course consists of multiple zip lines, bridges and self-rappel elements.

The skatepark presents a variety of elements - transition, street, bowls, vert and foam pits.

The BMX racing facility offers a variety of track configurations including jump, pump, downhill and flat.

The archery facility provides the chance to shoot static ranges of varying distances, sporting arrows (shooting discs out of the air) and the 3D walking range.

The shooting venue is home to trap, five-stand, sporting clays, long distance rifle and pistol ranges.

At the ropes area participants navigate a vast array of challenge course and high ropes activities. The Ropes offers four regular high ropes courses and the AEP Power Tower, a vertical challenge course that dares you to make it to the top

At the climbing walls, there is climbing, rappelling and taking the "Leap of Faith". Climbing routes have difficulty ratings from 5.5 to 5.11, making the climbing versatile for climbers of all ability levels

Our cross country mountain biking venue boast 19 miles of trails. Green, blue and black trails offer rides of varying difficulties. Advanced riders may tackle the 17 miles of downhill trails available at an advanced location also in camp.

This 3200 foot zip line speeds riders at speeds nearing 60 mph over the valley and BRAVO LAKE. The lake hosts swimming, kayaking, paddle boarding, and a wide variety of other water activities.



There will be huge stadium shows with national acts and important people. We have seen presidents, kings, celebrities and more at Jamborees.

All participants hike to the top of the mountain on site for a day of woodland games, OA offerings, and more traditional/classical scouting, including giant pioneering, etc.

There are countless displays showing sustainability, technology, and everything having anything to do with Scouting.

There is white water rafting on the New River, some of the best rafting in the eastern US.

Of course, there's endless patch trading...

See the flier at the end of this newsletter and sign up for the jamboree today at <http://bsajamboree.org>

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## Eagle Scout Graduation Cords ☸

I recently read an article about scouts who have been awarded their Eagle Scout Badge prior to High School graduation being able to wear an "honors cord" with their cap and gown. According to the article, some school districts allow Eagle Scouts to be recognized for their accomplishments, just as other students are recognized for their other outstanding academic achievements.

One rationale of thought is the Eagle Scout Award is not an academic achievement and therefore not recognized. However, a different rationale is the Eagle Scout Award requires significant dedication, time, effort, contribution to the local community, and the receiving scout has learned a lot about themselves along with developing other skills; therefore, the graduation cord recognition is quite appropriate.

Some school districts also allow the inclusion of the Eagle Scout Award recognition in graduation programs and inclusion in the reading of honors recognition.

The associated rationales include the appropriate colors of the graduation cords. Some districts allow the standard "red, white and blue" colors while others may require the standardized colors of all of the school district honor groups, while yet others may require cords to reflect the school colors.

Eagle Scouts who have been awarded the Eagle Scout Award prior to high school graduation need to check with their school district to understand the proper procedure and to assist in setting up a revised policy if the school district does not currently have such an Eagle Scout recognition policy.

There are a number of websites available which sell the graduation recognition cords.

Like so many of these matters, it would be wise to check it out earlier rather than at the last minute.

# Help Ease the Pain of Hunger ☽

## An Oath Taken

Did you know that thousands go hungry every day in our community? Hunger affects the whole body and a child's physical and mental development. It's more than just missing a meal it's also about the nutritional value of the food they are eating. In our community, thousands of working families struggle to put food on the table. They rely on the low-cost or subsidized breakfasts and lunches provided at school to help provide their children with the nutrition that is vital to their overall health and development. When a child is hungry it is hard for them to concentrate on anything but their hunger and that affects their learning.

Hunger hurts and it is very, very real here in our own communities. It affects families from all backgrounds and the whole community! It's not contained to third world countries.

## Hunger Facts

1 in 7 Americans are hungry – including more than 1 in 5 children.

The state of hunger in Central and Western New York:

- 36% of clients served by Foodlink are children; 5% are elderly
- 26% of client households include at least one employed adult
- 82% of client households have incomes below the federal poverty level
- 30% of client households report having at least one member in poor health
- 23% of clients had to choose between paying for food and paying for medicine or medical care
- 50% of clients are white; 37% are Black; 11% are Hispanic; 2% are from other racial groups

Have you ever been hungry? Your stomach growls and you eat something as soon as you can. But there are children and families who don't have the food to quiet their growls. Their stomachs just ache most of the day because they may not have the benefit of three meals and snacks whenever their stomach begins to rumble. Thousands go hungry right here in our own communities. They don't go to McDonald's when it's convenient.

Our Scouts pledge an oath to help others at all times. Giv-

ing of yourself, in service to others is one of the ideals of Boy Scouting. It is spelled out in the Scout Oath and Law: "On My Honor, I will do my best... To help other people at all times" and "A Scout is Helpful" is the third point of the Boy Scout Law.

Community service is one of many ways to help others! The impact is enormous with a ripple effect throughout the whole community. Selfless caring and giving makes society a better place.

One of the many ways Scouts can help others in need is through the annual Scouting For Food Drive (March 11th and 19th). The more Scouts that are out helping collect food donations, the more families that can be helped. Hunger affects whole communities and helping ease the pain of hunger for thousands of families can happen when the whole (Scouting) community is involved.

## What Can You Do?

Visit a Food Pantry – Scouts are encouraged to visit a Food Pantry (contact the Council for a listing) to truly understand how hunger affects families right in their own neighborhoods.

Participate 100% in the Food Drive – Engage the Scouts in your Pack and Troop in the Scouting for Food Drive.

Every Scout knows the slogan, "Do a Good Turn Daily." That doesn't mean once you've done the good deed for the day you should stop. Doing a good turn is an act of kindness, not just something done because it is good manners. Think about what the Scout Oath means? Is it simply recited without consideration for what you are pledging to abide by daily? Without action and commitment, the Oath becomes just words strung together. Someone less fortunate needs your help. Just think if the tables were turned... and you found yourself in unfortunate circumstances needing help... will someone be there to Do a Good Turn for you!

This article appeared in the winter 2015, Seneca Waterways Council Newsletter, Scouting Quarterly. As the Holiday Season approaches please get your youth excited about participating in this very helpful event and signup early.

We hope everyone has a Wonderful Holiday Season.

Al Hellaby & John Hellaby - Co Chairs for Scouting for Food.

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## Happy Hanukkah and Merry Christmas to all Black Creek families!

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## New Program Requirement - BSA Cyber Chip!

Today's youth are spending more time than ever using digital media for education, research, socializing, and fun. To help families and volunteers keep youth safe while online, the Boy Scouts of America introduces the Cyber Chip. In developing this exciting new tool, the BSA teamed up with content expert NetSmartz®, part of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children® and training expert for many law enforcement agencies.

Netsmartz® has created a Scouting portal showcasing Cyber Chip resources, including grade-specific videos, for each level. Topics include cyber bullying, cell phone use, texting, blogging, gaming, and identity theft.

<http://www.scouting.org/cyberchip.aspx>

Info for Leaders and parents can be found on the web. Browse to:

<http://www.netsmartz.org/Parents>

Completing the Cyber Chip is required for each Rank in Cub Scouting. For now it is required for the Scout Rank (new Scout) for Boy Scouts BUT is advised for all Boy Scouts.

Note: All Cyber Chips will expire annually. Each Scout will need to “recharge” the chip by going back to the Netsmartz Recharge area. This space will hold new information, news, and a place for the Scout to recommit to net safety and netiquette. Then, with the unit leader, the Scout can add the new date to the Cyber Chip card or certificate.

### About **THE PADDLE**...



The Black Creek District serves the towns of Chili, Gates, Henrietta, Riga (including Churchville), Rush and Wheatland (including Scottsville).

**THE PADDLE** is published on the second Wednesday of every month except in July and August. Article submissions are due ten days prior to publishing and may be submitted to the District Communications Chair.

**THE PADDLE** is distributed electronically to all Scouters on the district e-mail distribution list and in paper format at district Roundtables. It can also be downloaded from the Black Creek District page at [www.senecawaterways.org](http://www.senecawaterways.org).

For more information, contact district communications chair Rick Coloccia.



# OKPIK Winter Adventure Gannett Lodge Massawepie Scout Camps January 8-10, 2016

## High Adventure BSA

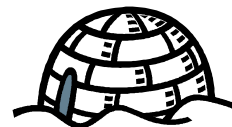
### What is OKPIK?

**OKPIK** is a "Classroom Style" training experience designed to make the learner aware of the physiology and psychological aspects of winter camping, as well as the great variety of winter camping equipment that's available. This training will give you the skills and confidence to lead a winter campout and ensure a safe and fun experience for all.

Lodging will be indoors and previous experience is not necessary. **Plan to arrive no later than 7:30pm on Friday** and we'll depart after lunch on Sunday. Lodging, meals and snacks are included.

### Bring the following items

- **Warm personal clothing:** Be prepared for a 3-hour outdoor session *in January*
- Long underwear, wool socks, wool or synthetic shirt and sweater (no cotton)
- Fleece or wool pants (plus shell) or 2 pair pants, 1 that fits over the other if possible)
- Warm winter jacket
- Insulated waterproof boots and a pair of shoes or boots to wear indoors (other than sneakers or casual shoes)
- Winter mittens and or gloves (wool)
- Winter hat (wool or fleece)
- Face Mask (optional)
- Sunglasses
- Sleeping bag & pillow (plus ground pad if sleeping outdoors)
- Any personal items you normally use including medication
- **New Medical Form** (Parts A & C)



## Learn the Skills of the North Woods Winter

**Winter Travel:** The Native Americans have used snowshoes for thousands of years. It's the best way to travel and explore the bush country in the winter.

**Winter Shelter:** A warm shelter is the key to enjoying frigid nights of the North. Shelters taught are the thermal shelter, the snow piled quinzhee and the igloo.

**Winter Camping:** Camping in the snow is more than just summer camping with more clothes! Techniques and behavior are taught which will increase your enjoyment and safety and will add to your overall camping skills.

# OKPIK Winter Adventure – Massawepie Scout Camps – January 8-10, 2016

Check-In is from 5:00 pm to 7:30 pm, Friday January 8 – Activities begin at 7:30 pm on Friday the 8th

**Reservations should be made as early as possible. This course sells out EARLY, so the time is NOW to get your registration in. Contact Chris Guarniere at (585) 241-8570 or [chris.guarniere@scouting.org](mailto:chris.guarniere@scouting.org) if you have any questions.**

***Deadline for reservations: December 18, 2015 – No refunds after this date!***

**Fee:** \$95 / person

**Class Size:** Limited to 35

**Minimum age:** 18

OKPIK is taught primarily in an indoor classroom environment. Although there is a three-hour Round Robin outdoor session on Saturday afternoon, the course will be an intensive, fact-filled weekend, covering the physiological and psychological aspects of winter camping.

**Accredited by the Cold Weather Camping Development Center – Boy Scouts of America**

### OKPIK Provides:

- Limited amounts of snowshoes, winter shelter (for overnight experience), supplemental clothing and sleeping gear for added winterizing (preferably bring your own)
- Participants will receive numerous handouts with useful information like suggested equipment lists and tips on preparing for your winter experiences
- Great food!
- **Expert instruction**
- **Hands-on experience**

### You Provide:

- Long underwear, gloves, mittens, warm socks and other warm personal clothing
- Any personal items you normally use (towel, soap, etc)
- Sleeping Bag and pillow
- (See complete list on Page 1)
- **Enthusiasm**



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## OKPIK 2016 Reservation Form – Massawepie Scout Camps – January 8-10, 2016

*Please reserve a space for:*

1) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Council: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Cost: \$95/person (non-refundable after 12/18/15)**

**Amount Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Make Check payable to: “Boy Scouts of America”**

Seneca Waterways, Inc

OKPIK

2320 Brighton-Henrietta TL Rd  
Rochester, NY 14623

**Please write Account # 1-6801-940-20 on check**

**OKPIK Winter Camping  
Training for Adults**  
January 8-10, 2016  
Gannett Lodge  
Massawepie Scout Camps



Let's face it, most of us cram our outdoor Scouting activities into a very few months when it's warm out and the Scouts are not on summer vacation. We do this because it's **COLD** outside in the winter. Brrrr... makes you shiver just thinking about it!

What if you found out all the tricks of the trade to stay as comfortable in the winter as you do any other time of year? What if you discovered how to **THRIVE** in the winter outdoors, how to really enjoy all that cold weather camping can provide? Things like no bugs, no crowded campsites, lots of fun.

**OKPIK** is the key. OKPIK, the Inuit word for snowy owl, is a "Classroom Style" training experience designed to make you, the adult leader, aware of the physiological and psychological aspects of winter camping, as well as the great variety of winter camping equipment that's available. This training will give you the skills and confidence to lead a winter campout and ensure a safe and fun experience for all.



You'll learn from the area's experts! You'll have a great time finding out how to travel easily in the snow. You'll see how to build a winter shelter. You'll learn the proper techniques for winter camping. You'll also learn about cold weather health concerns, proper food, clothing, how to make your own clothing and gear, and a lot more. You'll have a great time, eat lots of great food, and get the chance to try your hand at a variety of outdoor winter activities.

**SIGN UP NOW!** This is a Regional training course, so Scouters from all across the Northeast Region will be clamoring to attend. The cost is only \$95, and includes lodging and food for the entire weekend. **THIS COURSE WILL FILL UP FAST, DON'T DELAY.** Registration forms are available on the Council website, at the Scout Shop, and at Roundtables.

Attend OKPIK 2016 and experience a whole new world of outdoor fun for you and your Scouts!



# The Scout Law and Cybersafety/Cyberbullying

Today we are online more than ever before. We use technology to save us time with research, connect with others, navigate, and have fun. Here are some ideas of how the digital world and the Scouting community can live side by side.

**Trustworthy.** Be truthful with others online, and be very careful of the information you share. Do the right thing when sharing other people's words or pictures. Make sure you have the owner's permission before using them.

**Loyal.** Share information about others only if you have their permission to share it. Uphold appropriate agreements you make with friends when you play games with them.

**Helpful.** Alert others to scams, cheats, and suspicious sites. Point them to reliable and accurate sources of information. Encourage people to report bad behavior online.

**Friendly.** Reach out to support others who are doing good things, like posting quality creative works. Support those who are bullied.

**Courteous.** Be polite and respectful. When you use other people's work, be sure to ask permission when necessary, follow fair use standards, and give credit to the people who created and own the work.

**Kind.** Treat people with respect when you are on social networks, playing games, talking or texting on a cellphone, or in other digital activities.

**Obedient.** When using digital devices, follow the rules set by your parents/guardians, teachers, and Scout leaders. Abide by the rules established by sites, services, devices, and games.

**Cheerful.** Use games, messaging tools, and social forums to build your relationships with others while having fun.

**Thrifty.** Be a smart consumer. Know your voice, text, and data plans and use them wisely. Be sure to study digital devices and services you want. Before buying them, make sure you're not overspending on functions and features you won't need. Be careful not to run up charges on apps and sites.

**Brave.** Stand up for what is right. Do not participate in mocking and bullying others, even if your friends are doing it. Report suspected abuse to a trusted adult, like your parent or leader; call 911 or call the Cyber Tip line at 1-800-843-5678. If the incident involves any part of the Scouting program, call your council Scout executive immediately or email [youth.protection@scouting.org](mailto:youth.protection@scouting.org).

**Clean.** Use clean language and discuss only appropriate topics when using digital devices to communicate with others.

**Reverent.** Respect the feelings of other people. Do not use digital devices to spread irreverent ideas.

Remember that life is a balance. In Scouting, we focus on a balanced life through our aims: character, physical fitness, and citizenship. Technology is a tool to help us. It is not there to take the place of family, friends, the Scout Law, and staying physically fit. Stay ScoutSTRONG!



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# 2017 National Scout Jamboree



**July 19-28, 2017**

Registration is open and troops are forming NOW!

Register today at <http://bsajamboree.org>

## Who can attend a Jamboree?

Most Boy Scouts and Venturers are eligible to attend a Jamboree! Boy Scouts must hold First Class rank or higher and be 12 years old before July 19, 2017, but not yet 18 years old by July 28, 2017. Venturers must not yet be 21 by July 28, 2017.

## Can adults go, too?

YES! We are actively seeking adults to serve as leaders for our jamboree contingent! Sign up the very same way at the web address above. **Adults must register before February 1, 2016.**

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**Seneca Waterways Council Contingent Jamboree Fee: \$1700**

Your registration fee can be paid in six installments and includes:

10-day Jamboree Experience at the Summit, the Jamboree site in West Virginia

Transportation and all meals to and from the Jamboree

Weekend pre-trip "shake-down" at a council camp, including all food

Hydration pack, hat, two t-shirts, name tag, and one set of jamboree patches

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**Questions? Send email to**  
**2017jamboree@senecawaterways.org**

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**Participants will be billed \$200 shortly**  
**after your registration is submitted.**



# Olympic Klondike

**JAN 23 – 24, 2016**

**Mendon Ponds Park**

## Circuit Events

- Biathlon
  - two challenges in one
- Emergency Shelters
  - Will your patrol survive
- Fire Starting
- Ice Rescue
  - Can you save the victim
- Winter Ten Essentials

## Challenge Events

- “Chopped” Dutch Oven
  - w/ special ingredients
- Quinzee Shelters
- Snow Sculpture
- Tug o’ War
- Iditarod Rescue Race
  - New twist on the ol’ favorite

Two districts invited, plus Venture Crews

\$15 / person

***Plus, we are working on getting a true Olympics event here!***

November 17, 2015



Dear Scout Leaders,

Bristol Mountain will be offering discounted lift tickets to Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, and their immediate family members ages 8 and older. Scout Nights are designated during December and February breaks. You are responsible for choosing the date that works for your group, but are limited to only one evening during each break. Enclosed you will find the forms needed to organize your group. Please read over all documents very carefully before communicating details to your scout troop or pack.

Due to the highly reduced rates, Scout Night packages have a tendency to sell out quickly. As a result, it is very important to order packages soon. To maintain the safety of our guests, we need to schedule instructors accordingly. For this reason, we ask that all orders be in on time.

We are looking forward to another great season at Bristol Mountain! Please contact me with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Eric Kirby  
Adventure Sales Associate  
585-374-1134  
ekirby@bristolmt.com



2015-16

Scout Night Dates

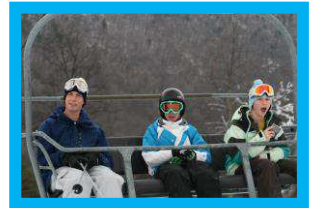
Monday, December 28, Tuesday, December 29, Wednesday, December 30

Tuesday, February 16, Wednesday, February 17, Thursday, February 18

4 pm- 10 pm

### Scout Night Policies

- Orders must be received no later than December 18 for December visits and by February 9 for February visit
- If packages are no longer available on the night you have chosen, we will try to accommodate your group on another night. If no other nights are available, your payment will be returned.
- Personal checks, cash or credit cards are not accepted from the group or scout leader. **Scout Troop/Pack Checks are the only acceptable form of payment.**
- This event is open to scouts and immediate family members **ages 8 and older only.**
- All packages must be pre-purchased. Packages are not sold on the night of the event.
- The cost for a Scout Night Package is \$35 and includes a lift, beginner lesson and equipment rental.
- Equipment rentals include skis, boots, and poles for skiers and boots, and boards for snowboarders.
- Helmet rentals are available for the additional cost of \$5. If purchased separate from the Scout Package, helmets are \$10.75 at the regular ticket window.
  - Lessons are 1 hour and begin promptly at 4 pm, 5 pm and 6 pm.
  - This is a rain or shine event. **Refunds are not offered under any circumstances.**



### **Follow These Steps To Organize Your Troop's or Pack's Ski/Board night**

- Decide on a date and notify your troop/pack and their immediate family members.
- Communicate Bristol Mountain's Scout Night Policies and Responsibility Code to participants. Distribute waivers to anyone skiing or snowboarding during Scout Nights.
- Collect payment and waivers from troop/pack members.
- Turn in payment to pack/troop treasurer and receive a **Scout Check** made out to Bristol Mountain for the total amount.
- Complete order form and send in with payment and waivers to:  
**Bristol Mountain**  
**5662 Route 64**  
**Canandaigua NY. 14424**
- Orders will be available for pick up in the Guest Service Office no earlier than 3 pm on the day of the event.
- Orders may only be picked up by the Scout Leader or designated group leader

**2015-2016**

Girl Scout and Boy Scout Order Form

December Date Chosen \_\_\_\_\_ February Date Chosen \_\_\_\_\_

Event Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Council Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Pack Number \_\_\_\_\_ Troop Number \_\_\_\_\_

Leader Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Information

December payments must be received by December 18<sup>th</sup> February payments must be received by February 9<sup>th</sup>.

Package	# of Packages	Price	Amount Due
Ski Packages		\$35	
Snowboard Packages		\$35	
Helmets		\$5	
Total			

**For planning purposes, please provide the following:**

Item	Total # Needed
Ski Rentals	
Snowboard Rentals	
Helmet Rentals	
Ski Lessons	
Snowboard Lessons	



5662 Route 64  
 Canandaigua, NY 14424  
 585-374-6000  
 www.bristolmt.com

## Warning to Skiers/Snowboarders

As the Event Coordinator, it is your responsibility to communicate the following to all participants. Please print out and pass along to pack and family members participating in the 2011-2012 Scout Night at Bristol Mountain. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

1. Skiers, snowboarders, and lift passengers are governed by the New York State Safety in Skiing Code, Article 18 of the NYS General Obligations Law. Before affixing your pass or allowing any pass to be affixed to your person, your attention is directed to a posted "Warning to Skiers" that is displayed in the Guest Services Office. The Safety in Skiing Code requires you to seek out, read, and understand the "Warning to Skiers" before you decide to participate in the sport of skiing.

2. Skiing and snowboarding, like many other sports, contains inherent risks, including, but not limited to the risk of personal injury or death or property damage. Therefore, Bristol Mountain takes appropriate measures to protect skiers from undue, unnecessary, and unreasonable hazards, including those created by skier conduct, excesses, and attitudes. Skiers who create such hazards for themselves, or other skiers, can be arrested under Article 18 of the NYS General Obligations Law and may be required to leave the area. They will be denied skiing and snowboarding privileges at Bristol Mountain. In such case, no refund of purchase price for lift ticket or pass will be made.

1. Always stay in control, be able to stop or avoid other people or objects
2. People ahead of you have the right of way. It is your responsibility to avoid them.
3. You must not stop where you obstruct a trail, or are not visible from above.
4. Whenever starting downhill or merging into a trail, look uphill and yield to others
5. Always use devices to help prevent runaway equipment.
6. Observe all posted signs and warnings.
7. Keep off closed trails and out of closed areas.
8. Prior to using any lift, you must have the knowledge and ability to load, ride and unload safely.

### **Anyone Skiing or Snowboarding During Scout Nights Must Sign Below.**

I have read and understand the Bristol Mountain Scout Night rules and regulations and agree to abide by them. I have also read Bristol Mountain's Skiing/Boarding Warnings, and agree to abide by the rules governed by Article 18. False information included on this application or the subsequent falsification of fact in the use of this program is punishable by NYS Law.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian (Sign For Children Under The Age Of 18)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

# **SENECA WATERWAYS COUNCIL'S CAMP WORK WEEKENDS 2016**

Take a break from your career and help prepare our Camps for the summer program. At each of our Camps, ten weekends are designated for volunteers to help in setting up and general maintenance activities. Our Boy Scout Camps are Babcock Hovey located in Ovid, NY and Massawepie, located near Tupper Lake, NY. Our Cub Scout resident Camp is Camp J. Warren Cutler, located near Naples, NY. At each camp projects include setting up tents, building structures and picnic tables, painting, and setting up program areas. An endless list of maintenance projects needs to be completed before the kids arrive. Below is a list of dates and an explanation of what each event entails. All food is provided and lodging is available. This year it is possible that a group of volunteers can make arrangements to take on a project at a different time other than our scheduled times.

## **MASSAWEPIE**

**Pre Spring Skills**                      **May 13-15, 2016**

**Spring Skills**                              **May 20-22, 2016**

At Spring Skills Weekend we prepare Camp for summer occupancy by turning on water and electrical systems. The main objective of this weekend is to prepare for Beaver Weekend.

**Beaver Weekend**                        **June 3-5, 2016**

On Beaver Weekend the Camp is prepared in anticipation of the Scouts arrival. Tents are set up and a large list of maintenance items addressed.

**Fall Skills**                                 **September 30- October 2, 2016**

At Fall Skills Weekend we prepare the Camp for winter by shutting down water systems, doing inventory and inspecting the property to formulate our future needs.

## **CAMP CUTLER**

**Spring Engineers**                        **April 9, 2016**

The main objective of Spring Engineers is to prepare the Camp for Red Deer Weekend. Projects and materials are placed in sites and building projects are started.

**Red Deer Weekend**                      **May 6-8, 2016**

On Red Deer Day, Cutler is prepared for the Cub Scouts' arrival. Tents are put up, program areas set up and a large list of maintenance items addressed.

**Red Deer Family Day**                    **May 8, 2016**

This is the day that the scouts and their families come to Camp and help to prepare Camp for the summer. We will have projects for all ages; fun and fellowship will be had by all.

**Fall Engineers**                            **Oct. 15, 2016**

At Fall Engineers the post camp inspection will be done along with shutting down systems for winter. Efforts will be made to evaluate the current list and prioritize.

## **BABCOCK HOVEY**

**Spring Raccoon**                         **April 16, 2016**

**Raccoon Weekend**                      **June 17-19, 2016**

On Raccoon days the Camp is prepared in anticipation of the Scouts arrival. Tents are set up and a large list of maintenance items addressed. Units are encouraged to camp for the weekend and help with Camp projects.

**Fall Raccoon**                              **November 12, 2016**

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Sign up today and help ensure that all scouts have an enjoyable and safe summer. For more information or to register, call (585) 261-0835 or e-mail [don.declerck@scouting.org](mailto:don.declerck@scouting.org).

**COME AND ENJOY THE FELLOWSHIP, MAKE NEW FRIENDS AND MEET OLD ONES.**