
Pine Tree Council January Newsletter

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Upcoming Scouting Activities

Welcome to 2010 – the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America!!!

2010 ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION ACTIVITIES

Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America with the Pine Tree Council! Earn your special edition 100th anniversary three part patch by completing one activity in each area! Available to all Scouts and Leaders!

Service - Good Turns are the back bone of the BSA! Complete a conservation or community service project to earn your service patch!

Participate in a community service project with your unit

Participate by collecting food for Scouting for Food

*Attend an Order of the Arrow Ordeal

*Volunteer to help an Eagle Scout with his project

Do a service or conservation project with your unit / den / patrol at a PTC camp

*Report your community service with “Good Turns for America”

Camping - Scouting is Outing! Attend a PTC or national camp program in 2010 and receive your camping patch

For Cub Scouts:

- FunPack Weekend
- Day Camp
- Webelos Resident Camp

For Boy Scouts:

- Winter Camp
- Camp Hinds resident camp
- 2010 National Jamboree
- Fly First Class

For Boy Scouts / Venturers / Explorers:

- Florida Sea Base
- Venture Summit
- Philmont High Adventure Base
- Exploring Law Academy

For Leaders:

- Serve on staff or attend one of the above programs with your unit.

100th Anniversary Celebration ` Join in the fun with us and receive your Scout Fest patch!

ØAttend “**Scout Fest 2010**” Pine Tree Council’s 100th Anniversary Celebration in October!

Winter Camp

What are you doing during February school vacation??

During the deep snows of next February school vacation, 32 lucky Boy Scouts will be able to stay warm and cozy at the Rotary Training Center at Camp Hinds. Pine Tree Council will be hosting Winter Camp 2010 February 14th – 19th.

Winter Camp is a weeklong resident camp program for Scouts 12 years and older and at least First Class Rank. Scouts can earn merit badges, participate in outdoor winter skills, meet new friends and have fun! Planned activities include a night of snow tubing, building and sleeping in quinzies (snow shelters), along with snowshoeing and cross-country skiing.

2010 Winter Camp merit badges are: Shotgun Shooting, Radio, Sculpture, Snow Sports, Woodworking, Pulp & Paper, Personal Management; Oceanography, Graphic Arts, Geology, Electronics; Electricity, Computers, Citizenship in the World, Citizenship in the Community and Chemistry.

Cost for Winter Camp is \$260.00 per person and includes a night of snow tubing. Enrollment is limited to the first 32 Scouts who sign –up. Contact the Pine Tree Council Camping at 797-5252 x 14 to sign up or print off the registration form below! Mark your calendars for Winter Camp! What a great way to spend school vacation!

University of Scouting

Save the date! This year’s University promises to have something for all leaders and parents!

To be held on:

**Saturday March 27th at the
Central Maine Community College in Auburn!**

Yes, Scouting will be taking over the College with classes for leaders in Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Commissioning, Order of the Arrow, outdoor skills and much more!

The Course Catalog and registration form will be on our web site soon! Online register will again be available this year!

Visit the Scouting Showcase!

Don't forget that this year's University Scouting Showcase is designed with the busy Scouter in mind. Our goal is to put you in contact with resources that can help you plan a better year of Scouting for your youth! In addition to our Scouting displays highlighting Cubs, Boy Scouts and Venturing, we have displays on training opportunities, outside vendors, summer camp and of course cooking!

Treat your family and friends to some great skiing!

The Pine Tree Council, Boy Scouts of America, is pleased to announce these exciting ski offers. Do not miss out on the great times Scouts and their families have on the slopes of Sunday River, Sugarloaf/USA, and Shawnee Peak. The Pine Tree Council greatly appreciates the generosity of these ski resorts for offering our Scouting families these outstanding skiing discounts. Please use the registration forms to order your tickets.

Ski Day Rules:

- We will not sell tickets to walk-in participants.
- Distribution of tickets runs from 8:00 am to 10:00 am.
- Tickets are non-refundable, but are transferable to other people.
- Tickets may be used on the scheduled dates only.
- **In the event of a cancellation we will post a message on our After-hours Ski Days Hotline, and we will contact each registered group with information on a make-up date or ski vouchers depending ON what we and the resort decide to do.**
- **After-hours Ski Days Hotline 797-5252 ext 23**

· Learn to Ski or Learn to Snowboard packages include limited lift ticket (learning area only), equipment rental, and lesson.

Learn to Ski/Board lesson times are listed for each mountain. You will want to be at the Mountain at least an hour ahead of time to get your tickets, rentals and to be at the lesson on time.

·Family and individual registrations are preferred; however, unit registrations are accepted. Payment by check or money order.

THIS YEAR'S DATES INCLUDE

- **Monday, January 18th (MLK Day) at Shawnee Peak**
- **Saturday, February 6th, Sugarloaf**
- **Sunday, March 7th, Shawnee Peak**

For a complete listing of prices and the registration form contact Matt Mower at mmower@bsamail.org or call 797-5252 ext 23.

Operation – Fly 1st Class

During April School Vacation

Operation Fly 1st Class is Pine Tree Council program being offered for Boy Scouts up to age 13, Tenderfoot rank to First Class! Older Scouts who still need the ranks taught can also attend! This four-day program will offer new Boy Scouts the opportunity for advancement during the April school vacation with other Scouts under the guidance of older Scouts and experienced leaders!

Program Features to include: Cooking, Woods tools, 1st aid, Camp Gadgets, Outdoor Code, Leave No Trace, Native Plants & Wildlife, an overnight outdoor adventure, orienteering, service project, flags & ceremonies, Scout's Own Service, and plenty of Scout Spirit!

Program Requirements: Be a registered member of a Boy Scout Troop, up to age 13, have permission from parents & Scoutmaster and have a Class 1 & 2 health form which requires a doctor's physical within past 3 years.

**2010 Date is:
April 19th – 22nd**

Operation Fly 1st Class will be held at Camp Hinds in Raymond. The cost is \$180 per Scout and includes all meals, program equipment, and accommodations in the Training Center, experienced adult & older boy leadership! The program will be set up like a real troop with patrols and adult leadership. The staff will fill the roles of Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters, Senior Patrol Leader and patrol leaders to insure a great quality program. Program is limited to 32 Scouts per session and filled up early last year! To register, send in the registration form below with a \$25 registration fee to hold your spot!

Questions??? Call Cathy Gosselin, Camping Administrator at Pine Tree Council, 797-5252 ext. 14 or email cgosseli@bsamail.org

Philmont Trek 2011 ~ An Adventure of a Lifetime

The Pine Tree Council will be sending two crews for a Philmont expedition from June 26 to July 11, 2011. Youth & adults interested in attending as part of the crew should contact PTC to be put on the list by calling Cathy Gosselin at 797-5252 x 14 or email cgosseli@bsamail.org

More Philmont information will be out once we receive it!

Operation Fly 1st Class 2010 Registration Form

Please register me for Operation Fly 1st Class 2009 ~ enclosed is a \$25.00 deposit.

Name _____ Age _____ Troop _____

Street Address _____ Rank _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone _____

Email address _____

Scoutmaster's Name _____

Return to Pine Tree Council, 131 Johnson Rd. Portland, ME 04102

Winter Camp 2010 Registration Form

Please save my spot in Winter Camp 2010 ~ enclosed is a \$25.00 deposit.

Name _____ Age _____ Troop _____

Street Address _____ Rank _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone _____

Email address _____

Scoutmaster's Name _____

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