

## Pine Spills

Pine Tree Council Newsletter

January 2012

**Welcome to the electronic format of the Pine Spills, the official newsletter of the Pine Tree Council.** In hopes to keep all Scouts and families more informed with an easy format and up-to-date information on events and activities happening within the council, we will be publishing the Pine Spills newsletters' every month and dispersing it to all of our Scout leaders and families electronically! It will also be posted on our website.

To keep the newsletter short and to the point—more information about all of our activities, registration forms and district information can be found on our web site or by calling PTC at 797-5252.

We ask all Scout leaders to encourage their families to sign up for the Pine Spills on our website at [www.pinetreebsa.org](http://www.pinetreebsa.org)



### Portland Pirates Scout Night

January 21 at 7 PM Portland Pirates vs. St. John's Ice Cap.

**Tickets for Scouts, family and friends, are just \$10.00 each,** and all Scouts attending the game will receive a commemorative Pirates Scout Night scout patch! Scouts are also encouraged to wear their scout uniform to the game. For tickets call Justin at the Pirates at **(207) 828-4665 x307**. or order online at:

[www.formstack.com/forms/portlandpirates-boyscouts2012](http://www.formstack.com/forms/portlandpirates-boyscouts2012)

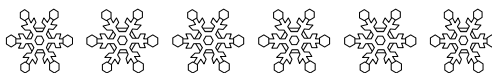
Deadline to order is Friday, Jan. 20th or while supplies last.

### Winter Camp 2012—

#### *A few openings are left!*

Winter Camp is a weeklong resident camp program for Boy Scouts 13 years and older at Camp Hinds Rotary Training Center from February 19<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>. Scouts can earn merit badges, including the new Chess and Robotics merit badges, participate in outdoor winter skills, meet new friends and have fun! Planned activities include a night of snow sports, building and sleeping in quinzees (snow shelters), along with snowshoeing and cross-country skiing.

Cost for Winter Camp is \$260.00 per person and includes all activities!. A \$25.00 deposit holds your space! What a great way to spend school vacation! See our website for the registration form!



### SCOUT FAMILY SKI DAYS ARE COMING UP!

#### 2012 Ski Dates;

**1/22/12 @ Sunday River**

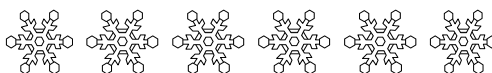
**2/11/12 @ Sugarloaf**

**2/18/12 @ Lost Valley**

**3/4/12 @ Saddleback**

**3/17/12 @ Sugarloaf**

**Check our web site for discounts on skiing and learn to ski packages!**



### PTC Upcoming Dates:

**Jan. 21 Portland Pirates Scout Night at CCCC**

**Feb. 19-24 Winter Camp at Camp Hinds**

**March 24th University of Scouting at CMCC in Auburn**

### Operation Fly First Class:

**April 14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> or April 18<sup>th</sup> – 21st At Camp Hinds**

**PTC Scout Service Center 131 Johnson Road, Portland, ME 04102**  
**Office open 9 AM to 5 PM Monday to Friday (207)797-5252 fax (207)797-7183**  
**[www.pinetreebsa.org](http://www.pinetreebsa.org) email: [scoutinfo@pinetreebsa.org](mailto:scoutinfo@pinetreebsa.org)**

## ADVENTURERS WANTED!

**Get ready! The 2013 National Scout Jamboree is coming and it ain't your father's jamboree.** We're talking seriously high adventure, people! Whitewater rafting, zip-lining, rappelling, mountain biking, hiking, and more - with 50,000 of your closest friends at the brand new Summit Bechtel Reserve in the wilds of West Virginia.

The Jamboree dates for PTC contingent are set for July 11—24, 2013 with 4 days of traveling and touring Washington D.C prior to the Jamboree!

**How to sign up:** Go to the Jamboree website for video and forms!

[www.summitbechtelreserve.org](http://www.summitbechtelreserve.org)

**The leadership for the PTC contingent:**

Troop #1

SM- David Collins

ASM- William Bennett

ASM- Karen Douglas

Troop #2

SM- Robert Bussiere

ASM-Peter Ventre

ASM- Maurice Hebert

Venture Crew

CA- Richard Raynes

ACA-Irene LeClaire

**Sign up now for the highlight of your Scouting at the Bechtel Scout Reservation! See you at the Jamboree...**

## WOOD BADGE

**Leaders— save the date!**

**Sept. 28 – 30, 2012**

**Oct. 12 – 14, 2012**

**Wood Badge is considered by many as a peak experience in their Scouting careers!!!**

**For an invitation to attend:**

**Contact Course Scoutmaster:**

Kelly Pillsbury

[Kellyjune22@gmail.com](mailto:Kellyjune22@gmail.com)

Or Cathy Gosselin

[cgosseli@bsamail.org](mailto:cgosseli@bsamail.org)



## University of Scouting 2012

Save the Date! Make sure you mark your calendars for the

University of Scouting 2012 set for March 24th at Central Maine Community College in Auburn!

Yes, Scouting will be taking over the College with classes for leaders in Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, and Commissioning, Order of the Arrow, outdoor skills and much more! The course catalog is due out soon— watch our website for its release and sign up early!

**Visit -**

[www.pinetreebsa.org](http://www.pinetreebsa.org)

**for more camp information and registration forms**

## Philmont 2013 Trek Announced!

PTC will be sending 2 crews to the Philmont High Adventure Base on

**June 18– 30, 2013**

**Watch the website for reg. forms and more info!**

## PTC Upcoming Camping Dates & Programs

*Operation Fly First Class* for Boy Scouts up to age 13 years at Camp Hinds Training Center during April School vacation! 2012 Dates are:

**Session 1 April 14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> (Sat. – Tues.)**

**Session 2 April 18<sup>th</sup> – 21st (Wed. – Sat.)**

## Winter Camp

**at Hinds Training Center**

**February 19<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> .**

**PTC National Scout Shop at the PTC Service Center**

**Scout Shop Store Hours: Monday to Friday 9:30 AM—6 PM open late until 8 PM on Thursday**

**Saturday hours 9:30 AM—3 PM**

**Toll Free: 1-877-782-7467**

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