



## Pine Spills

Pine Tree Council Newsletter

Spring 2012

**National Youth Leadership Conference** is scheduled for June 24th—30th at Camp Hinds. NYLT is designed for the youth leadership of troops to help strengthen their leadership skills and give them the knowledge they need to run the troop! Your Scouts will come back enthusiastic, skilled and with a wealth of program material for your troop!

**Scouts must be at least 13 years old and be approved by their Scoutmaster.**

**Cost is \$250.00 for the week!**

For more info contact NYLT SM Jim Thomas at 829-9235 or [jht@maine.rr.com](mailto:jht@maine.rr.com)

### *Operation Fly 1st Class 2012— A few openings are left!*

Operation Fly 1<sup>st</sup> Class is PTC program being offered for new Boy Scouts! 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!

**2012 Dates are:**

**Session 1 April 14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Session 2 April 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>**

Program Features to include: Cooking, Woods tools, 1<sup>st</sup> aid, Camp Gadgets, Outdoor Code, Leave No Trace, Native Plants & Wildlife, an overnight outdoor adventure, orienteering. Operation Fly 1<sup>st</sup> Class will be held at Camp Hinds in Raymond. The cost is \$180 per Scout! See our web-site for the registration form!

**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 web-site.

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.

### **SLEEPOVER AT THE SEA DOGS ~ SAVE THE DATE!! JUNE 9<sup>th</sup>**

Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at Hadlock Field, Scouts and their families are invited to our Sleepover at the Sea Dogs. Each Scout must be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or Scout Leader. Admission includes a ticket to watch the Sea Dogs take on the Richmond Flying Squirrels, a commemorative patch, and a sleepover on the field!

### **SEPT. 1st SCOUT NIGHT**

Saturday, September 1st at 6pm at Hadlock Field, Scouts and their families are invited to watch the Sea Dogs take on the Reading Phillies, as part of the season's final home stand.



### **Camp Beaver Days**

Help get our camps ready for summer fun and action! Beaver Days are planned for all of our camps to help with the cleanup needed following the winter storm damage! Beaver Days are open to all ages and PTC will supply a BBQ lunch for all!

Bring your work gloves and a great attitude! Tools will be supplied! Make this a great service project for your group!



**2012 Beaver Days to be held on:**

**Camp Bomazeen on May 5th.**

**Camp Hinds on May 12th**

**Camp Nutter and Camp Gustin on April 28th**

Many hands make light work! All working a Beaver Day will get a special edition 2012 Beaver Day Patch!

Please RSVP with head count to help with food logistics to:

Cathy Gosselin at [cgosseli@bsamail.org](mailto:cgosseli@bsamail.org)

### **PTC Dates of Upcoming Events:**

- ◆ 4/13 PTC Annual Eagle Banquet
- ◆ 4/14– 4/17 Fly 1st Class #1
- ◆ 4/18–4/21 Fly 1st Class #2
- ◆ 4-27– 4/29 NRA Shooting Cert. at Camp Hinds
- ◆ 4/28 Beaver Days at Camps Nutter and Gustin
- ◆ 5/5 Beaver Day at Bomazeen
- ◆ 5/12 Beaver Day at Hinds
- ◆ 5– 11–5/13 ITOLS
- ◆ 5-11–5/12 WLOT
- ◆ 6/9 Sea Dogs Sleepover
- ◆ 6/24–6/30 NYLT

**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)**

## PTC Programs and Activities

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### 2013 NATIONAL JAMBOREE 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 10—24, 2013 with 4 days of traveling and touring Washington D.C.

Sign up soon to reserve your spot!

**Who can attend: Boy Scouts and Venture Scouts who meet the**

**qualifications set by BSA- see our website!**

**Dates: July 10— 24, 2013**

**Cost: TBA depending upon final traveling plans. We estimate it will**

**be \$2000.00 per Scout.**

**Adults wanting to attend should apply to be part of the Jamboree Staff.**

**Signup now at:**

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

**The Pine Tree Council is proud to announce the 2012 Council**

**Annual Banquet to be held on**

**Friday, April 13, 2012.**

This event we will also recognize over 120 youth that received the rank of Eagle Scout in 2011. Thousand of hours of volunteer service have been completed under the direction of these scouts and this recognition is very much deserved.

There will be no cost for the 2011 Class of Eagle Scouts thanks to the Portland Elks Lodge.

Once again this year all 2011 Eagle Scouts will receive a limited edition PTC Shoulder Strip for reaching the rank of Eagle Scout.

Information & reservation forms are available at the Pine Tree Council and online at [www.pinetreebsa.org](http://www.pinetreebsa.org). From more information please contact- David Sinclair, PTC Council

Advancement Chair at [scout356@earthlink.net](mailto:scout356@earthlink.net) or Matt Mower at PTC at

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

### Youth Law Enforcement Academy June 25th—29th, 2012

This year's academy will be at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in Vassalboro, Maine.

The \$275.00 fee covers meals, lodging, two T-shirts, ball cap, materials and insurance.

There is a class size limitation of 55 participants so be sure to register early. This is a program for high school-aged men and women that have a serious interest in a law enforcement career and is in no way a boot camp! Call PTC 797-5252 x 27 for more info!

*"A week of camp life is worth six months of theoretical teaching in the meeting room."*

## PTC Summer Camp Dates & Programs

### *Camp William Hinds—Boy Scout Resident Camp 2012*

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

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	WEEK 6
July 1—6	July 8—13	July 15—20	July 22—27	July 29—Aug. 3	Aug. 5— 10
Traditional Camp	Traditional Camp	Traditional Camp	Traditional Camp	Traditional Camp	Traditional Camp
Trail to Eagle	CIT Weeks 2-4	SCUBA w/ MAUI Certification	SCUBA w/ MAUI Certification	BSA Lifeguard	Trail to Eagle
OA Specialty Week	Mountain Man	Mountain Man	Mountain Man	Mountain Man	Mountain Man
Mountain Man				CIT Weeks 5-7	

**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**



*Howdy Cub Scout Partners  
We're looking for some young Cubs to  
join us at camp this summer! We're  
gonna have some Yee Ha Fun with all  
you Buckaroos, so make plans to join us  
at camp as we celebrate the Wild West  
in our 2012 Cub Scout  
Camping Programs!*

**2012 Cub Day Camp Dates & Locations:**

**Camp Gustin in Sabattus**  
July 30 – Aug. 3

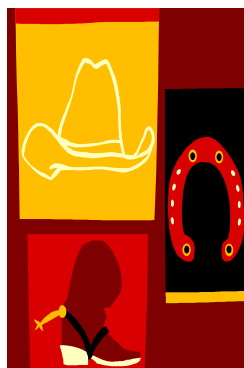
**Camp Hinds in Raymond**  
July 23 – 27

**Wassmaki Springs in Scar.**  
July 16 - 20

**Lake Pemaquid Campground**  
in Damariscotta July 16- 20

**Camp Bomazeen** July 23 – 27  
or July 30 – Aug. 3

**Camp Nutter in Acton** July 9 - 13



**FunPack Weekends are an exciting overnight  
camp trek with your son at Camp Hinds in  
Raymond! FPW's are offered on weekends in July  
and August! Great as a pack or den activity with  
fun activities for buckaroos of all ages!**

**2012 FunPack Weekend Dates at Camp Hinds**

July 7 & 8      July 14 & 15

July 21 & 22      July 28 & 29

Aug 4 & 5

**Family Camp ~ an overnight camp for Cub Scouts  
with their families and siblings! Great programs with  
flexibility added in for family time! Games, sports,  
swimming, campfire and much more!**

**Offered Aug. 11<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>**

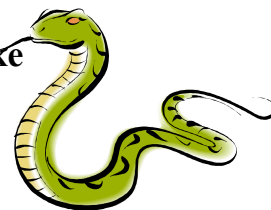


***Webelos Resident Camp 2012***

**The Legend of Rattlesnake  
Mountain**

**Session 1: Aug. 12-15**

**Session 2: Aug. 15-18**



**Webelos Are You Ready For Overnight Camping?**

Come join us as we spend 4 days & nights exploring the  
“Legend of Rattlesnake Mountain” through a variety of  
activities including archery, Scout skills, crafts, games,  
campfires & unique to Webelos

**Air Rifles (Pellet Guns)!** Our staff's goal is to create a  
summer of memories filled with fun, adventure and an  
exceptional outdoor learning experience!

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

***Pine Tree Council Philmont Trek 2013***

The PTC will be sending a contingent of Scouts and

Scouters to the Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, NM from  
June 26th to July 11th, 2013. We will be sending 24 partici-  
pants including leaders on the trek. Participants must be in  
good physical shape and be at least 14 years of age by 1/1/13.

Our trek will be a backpacking expedition for 12 days and  
nights through the Sangre de Cristo Mountains of Philmont  
Scout Ranch ranging in elevation up to 12,441 feet. Discover  
the wonder of this scouting paradise by traveling with the PTC  
contingent.

**A deposit of \$100.00 per person is required by 4/15/12 to  
secure a reservation for this trek.**

Call Cathy Gosselin at 797- 5252 ext. 14 or email  
[cgosseli@bsamail.org](mailto:cgosseli@bsamail.org) for more info!

**Visit -**

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

**for more camp information  
and registration forms**



**Sept. 28 - 30  
and  
Oct. 12 - 14.**

**What is Wood Badge?** Wood Badge is considered by many as a peak experience in their Scouting careers!!! Wood Badge Training offers a unique opportunity for learning and for leadership. Participants live and work together in a patrol with other Scouters, while they learn about the skills of leadership. The skills of Wood badge will help you in your personal and professional life along with Scouting!

**Who can attend?** All registered Scout Leaders who have completed basic training for their position. The course content benefits Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout and Venturing leaders as well as Council and District leaders.

**Cost: \$240** Includes all food, training materials, program supplies and literature!

**Questions?** Contact: Course Scoutmaster Kelly Pillsbury

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

## Attention All Shooting Sports Merit Badge Councilors

**PTC will be offering a NRA Instructors course for Rifle and Shotgun April 27-29  
at Camp Hinds.**

This course will give you the needed qualifications to do the shooting portion of the Rifle and Shotgun Merit Badges.

What to Bring? You will need to bring food for the weekend or money to travel out and get meals. Along with an attitude for learning as we will be cramming a lot of information into a short time. Firearms and ammunition will be provided.

**COST** \$300 for the weekend and the 3 courses

Deposit of \$100 by Friday April 6<sup>th</sup> to purchase the needed course materials. Please contact [arueger@bsamail.org](mailto:arueger@bsamail.org) for more info.

## Boy Scout Scoutmaster and Asst. Scoutmaster Leader Training

### Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (ITOLS)

**May 11-13, 2012 at Camp Hinds in Raymond, ME**

Registration begins on Friday 5:00 – 7:00 PM

Cost is **\$20.00 per person if pre-registered via the Pine Tree Council Service Center by 5/4/12 or \$25.00 if paid at the door.**

Food will be provided except for Friday night dinner which is on your own.

What to bring:

Tent, Cook stove (optional), Uniform (If you have one), SM Handbook, Personal Camping Gear, Warm Clothing, Pencil & Paper, copy of your BSA Class 1 & 2 health form and LOTS of Scout Spirit.

## Webelos Leader Outdoor Training (WLOT) Required training for Webelos Leaders to take Scouts Camping

WLOT is training to prepare you as a leader to bring your Webelos out camping. What to bring, how to prepare, what facilities are needed, BSA rules and regulations, and how to have fun by integrating activities such as the campfire, games, and Webelos activities, along with an introduction to the Webelos outdoor activity pins, together with the camping experience.

**Friday, May 11, 2012 to Saturday, May 12,  
2012 (8 pm)**

**A Class 1**

**Medical Form is required for all participants. Food will be provided except for Friday night dinner**

**Check-in & Registration Time is 6 PM- 7 PM on Friday night!**

What to Bring: Tent, Scout Uniform, Personal Camping Gear, Warm Clothing, Lawn Chair, Pencil & Paper, Scout Spirit Webelos leaders should also bring a jackknife, copy of your BSA Class 1 & 2 health form and Webelos Handbook!

Dress Appropriately for Outdoor Weather ~Remember this time of year can be cold!!!

Questions, please contact Bob Robinson at 615-1447

or email [rrobinso@maine.rr.com](mailto:rrobinso@maine.rr.com)

\*Please Pre-register for Training at the Pine Tree Council Service Center.\*