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BOMAZEEN BEAVER DAY

Next Saturday, May 10 at Camp Bomazeen, North Belgrade, starting at 8am.

BYOL (Bring your own lunch) and water.

Details below are combined from information received from Steve Craig & Tracy Wiggin.

If you have any of the following, please bring them to Beaver Day: wheelbarrows, shovels, iron rakes, and loppers/pruners. All should bring work gloves if they have them. Adults who have power tools, please bring them.

Bomazeen projects:

Area around new Latrine needs to be cleaned up.

Fire rings need to be installed in campsites. Steve has diagram and the ring in Lake view is an example.

All trails to dining hall need to be cleaned and chipped.

Ranger room cleaned and organized

Old wood under ramp needs to be removed and area raked.

Dining Hall down stairs needs to be cleaned out and organized.

Need tent platforms in old cope area for staff tents.

Plexiglas repair to salad bar.

Lawns need to be mowed

Platforms for windy hill campsite to cover concrete posts

Fence repair to sports field.

Please do not clean up any of the wetland areas until we find out what DEP recommends what can be done. As they have surveyed the area and will submit a report. This includes the areas around Pavilion Mc Curdy and the stream.

Please let Steve Craig ([Steve.Craig2@sappi.com](mailto:Steve.Craig2@sappi.com) – better to contact him by phone: 649-6411) or Tracy Wiggin ([twig271@gmail.com](mailto:twig271@gmail.com)) know if you plan to do a project so that we can check it off and make sure that duplicates don't happen. If you see something that you feel needs attention, please bring it to the attention of the Campmaster committee.

A big thank you to Farmington Pack 585 and Temple Troop 546 for performing extensive repairs at the council ring last weekend. For those who are not aware, a tree, or large branch came down and destroyed one whole section of seating at the council ring. Members of 585 & 546 cleaned this up **AND** rebuilt the seating.

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POPCORN PREVIEW

From Scott Verrill:

### **Popcorn Previews**

We are excited to be bringing you 4 Popcorn Previews with product samples, information, and presentation by Dominick Marinelli our Trail's-End representative!

Here is the schedule:

- Monday, May 12, 7pm @ Saco City Hall
- Tuesday, May 13, 7pm @ Pine Tree Council
- Wednesday, May 14, 6pm @ Pleasant St. Methodist, Waterville
- Thursday, May 15, 6pm @ Holy Cross Church, Lisbon St., Lewiston

***At each site we will be holding a drawing for a Canvas Camp Table!***

Please go to the Google Doc <http://goo.gl/7jmro5> and update your information and let us know which Popcorn Preview you will be attending.

Our Goal this year is to put \$250,000 into the pockets of the Units selling popcorn so they can have their best program year ever!

Unit Goals will again be \$500 in sales per registered youth. Units who reach their goal will receive a \$100 Campership plus \$50 Scoutbucks for their top seller!

Scott Verrill

Kennebec Valley District Director

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#### DISTRICT ROUNDTABLE—ANNUAL PLANNING MEETING

Wednesday, May 14 at Pleasant Street United Methodist Church, 61 Pleasant St., Waterville.

Socializing/networking at 6:30pm.

Roundtable starts at 7pm with a joint information session and then the Boy Scout Leaders and Cub Scout Leaders split off into separate groups.

May is the last roundtable until September. It is also the planning meeting for next year's roundtable sessions on both the Boy Scout and Cub Scout leaders. Is there a topic you want to learn more about in the coming year or teach to others? Please come to roundtable and share your idea/talent. If you can't attend and have a topic you'd like to have considered, please contact the following by May 13<sup>th</sup>:

Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner Eric Handley at [project19@msn.com](mailto:project19@msn.com)

Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner Alan Duplessis at [aduplessis@myfairpoint.net](mailto:aduplessis@myfairpoint.net) or by phone at 668-7713.

Boy Scout Roundtable Staff Scott Bernier at [moxieman@gwi.net](mailto:moxieman@gwi.net)

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#### KV SPRING CAMPOREE

Service to Camp Bomazeen, May 16-18

This is a minimal-organized event. Give service to the camp in the morning and do whatever you want all afternoon.

Registration form is on the district website at:

<http://www.kv-scouts.org/upldDocuments/Unit659/KV%20Spring%202014.pdf>

Friday Night Cracker barrel will be a camp-wide cracker barrel. Rather than just the SM (or adult rep) and SPL attending, EVERYONE CAN ATTEND. There is a catch. To be able to attend, you must bring something to share. If your unit has three people attend, all three must each bring something to share.

If your unit would prefer to attend a more organized event, Camporees in Maine start this weekend in Penobscot Valley & Hancock Districts in Katahdin Area Council (See <http://katahdinareabsa.org/> for details) and our other three districts are holding theirs the same weekend as ours. York District's registration deadline is Friday, May 2. See the Pine Tree

Council website for links to our other districts' webpages with details:<http://www.pinetrebsa.org>

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## OA ORDEAL/WORK WEEKENDS

May 30-June 1 at Camp Bomazeen

June 13-15 at Camp Hinds

Order of the Arrow Ordeal for those just elected into the order. Newly elected should receive information prior to ordeal.

These are also work weekends for all OA members. Please see the Madockawanda Facebook Group for more details or watch your mail soon for the latest issue of "Turtle Soup" (provided you're a member in good standing).

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## SPRING RECRUITMENT

From **Scott** Verrill:

### **Spring Recruit**

We will be conducting a focused Spring Recruit this year in the Greater Waterville & Augusta Area to encourage new Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Venturers to join in time to access summer camping opportunities with an emphasis on Kindergarteners who become eligible to join in early June as New Tigers. We invite Units in other areas to join this effort.

***We are offering an extension of the Early Bird Camping Fee Rates until the end of May to the Unit's entire population if a Unit participates in the Spring Recruit.***

In order to receive this benefit the Unit will need to do the following:

1. Provide current contact information for your Unit on the Google Doc<http://goo.gl/7jmro5> (Tiger/Spring Recruit tab).
2. Update and have an Active Pin on the BeAScout system:<https://beascout.scouting.org/BeAScoutMap.aspx> (Access this through your myscouting account)
3. Provide an Open House Date in May or June for your Unit and/or participate in "A Walk In The Park" - a coordinated effort on Saturday June 7.
4. Distribute Flyers through the appropriate local schools for your Unit and conduct a BOY TALK if allowed.
5. Recruit at least 5 New Members this Spring

Since Early Bird Fees must be paid by May 31 under this extension, if the Unit has completed the above steps but the event is after May 31, we will extend the Early Bird in Good Faith that those efforts will produce at least 5 New Scouts by June 15th.

Although we are targeting the Waterville/Augusta area, any Unit that completes the required steps can take advantage of the Early Bird extension.

**Scott** Verrill

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K-VALLEY WEBSITE MAKE-OVER

From KV Webmaster, Pat Couture:

New Website for K-Valley!

The council technology team has been working towards migrating our current website to a new platform and it's near completion. We are looking for feedback from you. Please take a few moments to check out the new site, and send in your thoughts. We are not taking down the current site until we are comfortable with the new one.

The new address is [kvalley.pinetreetsa.org](http://kvalley.pinetreetsa.org). (note there is no "www").

You can send your comments and suggestions to Pat Couture at [patcouture@ptcbbsa.org](mailto:patcouture@ptcbbsa.org).

Thanks!

Pat

Newsletter Editor's Note: <http://www.kv-scouts.org> still works and points to the current website. Once the new website feedback has been received and any changes that need to be made are completed, the [kv-scouts.org](http://kv-scouts.org) URL will link to the new site.

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CAMP BOMAZEEN NEEDS

Heard from Karen Douglas, Director, Camp Bomazeen, at the District Committee Meeting last night (5/7):

Each camp site could use picnic tables and tarps to erect over the picnic tables. Please contact Karen if you can assist with this at [kvscoutprogram@gmail.com](mailto:kvscoutprogram@gmail.com)

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The next newsletter will go out Thursday, May 15. Please get your news items to me by 6pm on the 15th.

YiS,

Scott Bernier