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NEW DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

Well, it turns-out that Matt Mower had stepped in to fill-in as our DE until a new DE has been hired. Tonight is his last night as our DE, but he'll still be active/employed by the council.

Starting tomorrow, Friday 8/15, our District Executive is Tony Bessey. Tony isn't new to Professional Scouting or volunteering. In the past he has served as DE in Casco Bay and Abnaki Districts. Most recently he has been a volunteer in Casco Bay District.

Tony's Contact Info:

Email: He hasn't got a scout email yet. For now, you can use: [tony@tonybessey.com](mailto:tony@tonybessey.com)

Phone: [\(207\) 650-1796](tel:2076501796)—please leave a message and he'll get back to you as soon as he can.

The following is being passed on from Tony:

My wife and I are both natives of Waterville, Maine. I have a business degree for the University of Maine's Maine Business School. I have a son Camden who is ten and a daughter, Madilyn, who is 7. We live in Westbrook and my wife is a 2nd grade teacher in Standish, Maine. We are all very excited about spending more time with our families and we are all excited to be part of the KV family.

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#### KICK-OFF WRAP-UP

So, you missed kick-off at Camp Bomazeen last night (Wed. 8/13). Here's a brief summary of what you missed:

A great meal put on by the Bomazeen Old-Timers with food donated by New Dimensions Credit Union (I think that's what I heard).

Meeting up with our Scout Executive Eric Tarbox, our Assistant Council Executive, John Cary, our new DE, Tony Bessey. Even Scott Verrill peaked in.

Cheering for a successful reopening of Camp Bomazeen

Updates on Bomazeen including next year's camp dates

Ricky Merrill receiving the Silver Beaver Award and celebrating his birthday

Charlie Matthews being recognized for FIFTY YEARS of service to scouting

Recharter Packets

Popcorn information, including your unit's online order password and instructions

Lots of announcements

Lots of handouts

Your newsletter editor didn't get everything down. If anything in this newsletter from kick-off is inaccurate, please accept my apologies.

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EAGLE CANDIDATE NEEDS ASSISTANCE

From Cameron Patterson, Life Scout, Winslow Troop 433:

I was wondering if you could get out the information regarding my Eagle/Hornaday Award project to everyone in the Scouting Family, especially those close to Naples. I have enclosed the media letter that I have written that gives a description of what the Hornaday Award is and what my project entails. This project has now gone national, with people from FL on board. There will be reporters from major fishing magazines and important people from the Fishing industry that will be there. Please have anyone who is interested in participating please contact me at [cjpatterson17@hotmail.com](mailto:cjpatterson17@hotmail.com). The Clean up at Tricky Pond is on September 6 from 10 am until completed, at the Boat landing. Hot dogs and chips will be served for lunch. I would appreciate any help that I can get in conducting the clean up. If they have snorkeling gear, please have them bring it, I am trying to get snorkeling gear donated (to borrow). We are also in need of scuba divers and BSA Life guards.

Thank you,

Cameron Patterson  
Boy Scout Troop 433  
Winslow, ME 04901

And his letter:

**Media Letter**

**Cameron Patterson**

**Eagle/Hornaday Award**

Hello Everyone,

My name is Cameron Patterson and I am a 15 year old Boy Scout in Troop 433 Winslow, ME. I am working on my Eagle Project and also the Hornaday Award. My

Scoutmaster is Chris Bernier. Most people know what an Eagle Project is but very few know what the Hornaday Award is. Let me give you a brief description of the Award.

William T. Hornaday Awards are presented for distinguished service in natural resource conservation. These awards are unusual prizes with demanding expectations. They are given at the national level. To earn the Hornaday Badge, a scout must earn 5 merit badges based on Conservation issues (examples are Environmental Science, Fish and Wildlife Management Soil and Water Conservation, Bird Study, Forestry, Fishing, Gardening, Mammal Study, etc.). I have earned 11 and am working on my 12<sup>th</sup> at this time. A scout is also required to plan, lead, and carry out one conservation project. This is not like the Eagle project, with this award the project needs to show the need, and fall into one of 8 categories. My project is in the Fish and Wildlife Management. The project must consist of Research, a project proposal, Planning, Scheduling, Recruiting, Communication and Coverage, Documentation of everything that is done, and the Execution of the project. This is not where the Hornaday Project ends. A Hornaday Award Recipient needs to follow the progress of the project over time. After everything is done a write up of everything from start to finish needs to be done and presented.

The State of Maine has only given out 3 of these Awards in its history, the last being in 1944. When my Scoutmaster told me that is was unusual for a Scout to receive this award, I had to go for it.

Now let me give you some details about my project. I found the problem of people being uneducated about the Soft Plastic Lures that are in our water ways and that are harming our fishes. So with that I met with Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, and started working with one of their Biologists, Mr. Dana DeGraaf. With the help of many others, including Dick Gaudreau of Maine Bass Nation, we have come up with a project of constructing 10 Recycling Containers for Soft Plastic Lures, placing them at boat landings with a poster telling about the harms of Soft Plastic Lures. I am also leading a cleanup of Tricky Pond in Naples Maine and doing a yearlong research on Soft Plastic Lures (Biodegradable vs. Regular Soft Plastic Lures) one that has never been done before. I will be collecting and recording the Recycled Soft Plastic Lures for the 2015 open water fishing season, and after that I will be lining up some one or group to tend to the containers on a long term basis. After all this I will be writing up an article for the Fishing law book that goes out with fishing licenses. All in all this project will take close to 2 years to complete. I have been in the planning process now for close to 8 months now. There is still a lot to do.

My dates for the coming events are as follows:

Building the Recycling Containers:

August 23 from at the Winslow Youth Hall at 184 Benton Ave, Winslow Maine

There will be some placements of Recycling containers at local water on the day of construction.

Clean up of Tricky Pond, Naples Maine Sept. 6 from 9am at the boat landing.

Placement of the remaining Recycling Containers Sept. 27 (time to be determined)

To Contact me I can be reached at 314-8843 or [cjpatterson17@hotmail.com](mailto:cjpatterson17@hotmail.com)

Thank you,

Cameron Patterson

Boy Scout Troop 433

Winslow, Maine

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LECTURE AND FILM: LOST ON A MOUNTAIN IN MAINE

Saturday, August 16, 2 to 4pm

Maine Historic Society, 498 Congress St., Portland

75th Anniversary of Donn Fendler, Lost on a Mountain in Maine

FREE

Join us to commemorate the 75th anniversary of Don Fendler's harrowing nine-day ordeal on Mt. Katahdin in 1939.

More information on the Maine Historical Society Website at:

[http://www.mainehistory.org/programs\\_events.shtml#event\\_411](http://www.mainehistory.org/programs_events.shtml#event_411)

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CAMP BOMAZEEN WORKDAY

Come join the Camp Bomazeen Old-Timers on Saturday, August 23, as we close down Camp Bomazeen for the winter. Workday is 8am to 3pm.

Lunch will be provided.

The Old-Timers will hold a meeting at 2pm.

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TROOP 603 INDOOR/OUTDOOR YARD SALE

Augusta Troop 603 Indoor/Outdoor Yard Sale

September 6th, 2014 from 8am to 2pm

American Legion Post 205

400 Eastern Avenue

Augusta, ME 04330

Rental Space Available!

Indoor 8' table with two chairs - \$15.00

Outdoor 10' x 10' area - \$15.00

Please contact Clay Hoffman at 622-4574 or [clayh9@gmail.com](mailto:clayh9@gmail.com)

Hot Dogs, Chips, Drinks and Desserts!

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#### OA FALL ORDEAL AND WORK WEEKEND AT CAMP HINDS

September 12-14 for Order of the Arrow members.

This is also the last chance for anyone elected this spring to go through the Ordeal. If you haven't and miss this one, you will need to be elected again before you can attend an Ordeal.

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#### WALDO DISTRICT FALL CAMPOREE

Our neighbors to the east will be hosting a camporee September 12-14 in Belfast.

Theme: Hunting and Fishing

I'm passing it on for it is open to Cub Scouts also.

From Katahdin Council's Facebook page announcement:

#### ATTENTION SCOUTERS!

Registration is now open for the Waldo District Camporee 9/12-9/14!

<http://katahdinareabsa.doubleknot.com/event/1587741>

This awesome event has been planned out for BOTH Boy & Cub Scouts-we have planned programs for everyone!

We also have 2 different registration options-you can either come for the day for just \$5.00 per person or stay the weekend for \$10 per person! The full itinerary, schedule, map of the camporee site, health & additional forms etc. are all available to you to download now on our website!

Some of the main program activities include:

Drug Searching Dogs  
Hunting Dogs  
Hunter Safety  
Map and Compass  
Fly Fishing  
Fly Casting  
Maine Game Wardens  
Bow Hunting  
Trappers  
\*Activity Displays by HQ, Chris Simmons, TV Northwoods Law\*

Cub Scout program activities include:  
Tie Basic Fishing Knots  
Casting Accuracy  
Fishing Lore Neckerchief Slide  
Animal Tracks Game

AND SO MUCH MORE! EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND! REGISTER NOW!  
Questions? Contact Chuck Major at [cmajor@bsamail.org](mailto:cmajor@bsamail.org) or [207-866-2241](tel:207-866-2241)!

REGISTRATION CLOSES SEPTEMBER 5th.

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#### MOOSEHORN 2014

Katahdin Area Council, Washington District's 52nd annual International Fall Camporee

September 24-26

Moosehorn Wildlife Refuge, Baring, ME (just west of Calais)

Theme: Search & Rescue

Cost: \$10pp

More details to follow when they become available.

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#### FALL KV BOY SCOUT CAMPOREE

October 17-19

Silver Spur Riding Club, Route 104, just south of Lyons Rd (I-95 Exit 120, Sidney

Keyv the Grey invites you to A Journey through Middle Earth

Registration fee: \$12pp

Early Bird Discount: Register/pay by September 19 and pay only \$10pp

Registration flier was distributed to all Boy Scout units present at kick-off. The flyer will be available shortly on the district website.

More information to follow as it becomes available. Word has it you don't want to miss September Roundtable.

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### 2014 POPCORN DATES

More information can be found in your unit's popcorn packet. Packets were handed out at kick-off. If you missed kick-off contact your unit commissioner or Tony Bessey to get your packet.

Info is also available on the Council website at:

<http://pinetreebsa.org/popcorn/>

Important dates:

Show-N-Sell Order deadline: 8/29

Show-N-Sell Delivery: 9/13

Show-N-Sell Return and Money due to Council: 10/24

Take Order Sale dates: Now through 11/1

Take Order Deadline: 11/1

Take Order Delivery: 11/15

Take Order Money Due to Council: 12/1

KV District Popcorn Kernal is Angela Newbauer

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## RECHARTER TIME

Recharter packets were passed out at kick-off. If your unit was not at kick-off, please contact District Commissioner, Charlie Ferguson for your packet. Charlie's email is: [chuckemian@hotmail.com](mailto:chuckemian@hotmail.com)

DROP DEAD DEADLINE FOR RECHARTER IS DECEMBER 31, 2014. THERE IS NO GRACE PERIOD THIS YEAR. IF IT ISN'T IN, YOUR UNIT CEASE TO EXIST.

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## ADULT TRAINING DATES

Newsletter Editor's Note: I did not hear the times for the first two trainings. My apologies. An update will be sent when I receive more info.

September 6, Knox Regional Airport, Owl's Head: Leader Specific

October 4, 2014 Augusta, Me. Leader specific, committee, B A L O O

St. Augustine Church basement, 75 Northern Avenue, Augusta

Entrance to basement is on Washington Ave. side of church.

November 8, 2014 TBD Leader specific, committee

January TBD Leader specific, committee, Den Chief

February TBD B A L O O

March TBD Leader specific, committee

Cost for Leader specific, committee, and Den Chief trainings will be \$1.00 per person.

Cost for B A L O O training will be \$12.00 this is due to the meal for that day.

TBD locations: If your unit has several leaders in need of training and you would like to host the training and as such, not need to travel far, please contact Ricky Merrill at [trmongoose@gmail.com](mailto:trmongoose@gmail.com). First come, first serve.

Also, ITOLS (Intro To Outdoor Leader Skills) will be offered at Fall Camporee.

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## CUB LEADER POW WOW

September 27, 9am – 4pm

Cumberland Congregational Church

Registration at 8am

\$10pp, BYOL (Bring your own lunch)

More info to follow as it is received

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## SCOUTING FOR FOOD

Council has moved Scouting for Food back to November. Door hangers will be available at the October roundtable. Distribute hangers on Nov. 1. Collect donations on Nov. 8.

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## PINEWOOD DERBY 2015 NEEDS A HOST

We are in need of a host pack for the district 2015 Pinewood Derby. It is a lot of work, but very rewarding. For more information on the process of hosting the derby or to enter your pack into the “lottery” to host the derby, please contact Chris Bernier at [circleofone555@hotmail.com](mailto:circleofone555@hotmail.com)

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## HAUNTED WOODS 2014

October 11 at both Camp Bomazeen and Camp Hinds

FREE to all brand new cub scouts recruited this fall.

\$5pp preregister by 10/3.

\$10pp after 10/3.

Flyers are in Pack kick-off packets. It should be available shortly on the council website.

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## PTC PHILMONT TREK 2015

Pine Tree Council Contingent Philmont Scout Ranch Trek

Dates: June 29 to July 11, 2015

Cost: \$1,200-\$1,400 per participant

Information flyer was handed out at kick-off and should be available shortly on the council website.

More info contact either Rick Raynes at [rick.raynes@yahoo.com](mailto:rick.raynes@yahoo.com) or Matt Randall at [mrandall@bsamail.org](mailto:mrandall@bsamail.org)

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## BOMAZEEN OLD-TIMERS UNIT MEMBERSHIP FEE

The current fee to sign-up your entire unit for a year with the Bomazeen Old-Timers is \$20. All funds raised help Camp Bomazeen and send scouts to camp.

The Old-Timers are asking that all units consider making a \$100 contribution: \$20 for a year membership and \$80 to cover the cost of a new picnic table.

You can sign-up at the work weekend or at roundtable.

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## CAMP BOMAZEEN DATES FOR 2015

Cub Scouts (Day Camp or Webelos Resident Camp) July 12/13 to 17

Boy Scout week: July 19 to 24

Cub Scouts (Day Camp or Webelos Resident Camp) July 26/27 to 31

I did not catch if day camp is the week before or after Boy Scout Week. Webelos Resident Camp is whichever week day camp is not.

No excuse this time that you weren't given camp dates soon enough!

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## FALL RECRUITMENT

Council can supply your unit with recruitment posters. Please let Tony Bessey know the date of your pack/troop recruitment.

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## ROUNDTABLES

K-Valley's roundtables are held the second Wednesday of the month, September through May at Pleasant Street Methodist Church, 61 Pleasant St., Waterville.

Socialize/network after 6pm (whenever someone with a key arrives)

Announcements 7pm

Break-out sessions for Boy Scout Leaders and Cub Scout Leaders following a brief break after announcements.

End by 8:30pm

The K-Valley Chapter of the Order of the Arrow also meets on roundtable night, usually at roundtable unless they plan an outing elsewhere (bowling, movie, pool, mini-golf, etc.). Outings are announced at chapter meetings and posted to this newsletter as the info is provided. Boy Scout Leaders please offer your OA youth a ride to these meetings.

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## NEWSLETTER EDITOR ON VACATION

Your newsletter editor will be on vacation August 17 to 25 with little Internet access. The District Key Three and the Roundtable Commissioners have a copy of the district email list. If you have news that can't wait until my return, please contact one of them.

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The next regular newsletter will go out on Wed. August 27.

Yours in Scouting,

Scott Bernier