

Trails of Troop 48

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Camden County Council

Court of Honor

Troop 48's annual Court of Honor was a complete success! The ceremony began with pairs of scouts, one young, one old, lighting the candles and saying their part of the law. Then we moved on to recognizing each scout for his accomplishments for the year. Next came everybody's favorite, the slides. This year's slideshow feature "before-and-after" slides of some of the more experienced scouts, as well as some slides from when Gary was a scout. Lastly, everyone chowed down on the excellent food and exchanged gifts. Overall, everyone had a great time.

Trustworthy
Loyal
Helpful

Superbowl Hoagie Sale Coming Up!

The Troop's annual Superbowl Hoagie Sale is coming up! This year, the winning patrol will receive no less than \$100 in gift certificates to I. Goldberg. How does a patrol win? The patrol with the greatest number of hoagies sold, divided by the number of scouts in that patrol, will win. That way, large patrols such as the Wolverines won't have an unfair advantage. So sell as many hoagies as you can to help your patrol win! Last year, Joe Palaia sold 43 hoagies. Can you top that? Hope to see you all on the 28th, when we'll be making the hoagies. And remember...sell, sell, sell!



Upcoming Events...

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
January 12-15	Raystown (Green Bar)
January 28	Superbowl Hoagie Sale
February 2-4	Hawkins Bridge (Klondike)
March 15-17	Rodney Scout Reservation
March ??	Mom's Pizza Fundraiser
April 11-13	Paintball / Whitewater
May 3-5	Assateague Island
May ??	Car Wash Fundraiser
June ??	Swimming Day
August 10-16	Summer Trip

Important Information...

Patrol Information

The Bar

Andrew Baldyga
 William Campbell
 Kevin Chin
 Christopher Cielo
 Jonathan Cielo
 Frank Conicella
 Stephen Cosaboon
 Douglas Faust
 Brian Jones
 Buddy Konopka
 Joshua Lake
 David Lillethun
 Kenneth Madden
 Ted Madden - TG
 Joseph McGeogh
 Avir Mitra
 Joe Palaia
 Phillip Saunders
 Jason Talucci
 Charles J. Trost
 Michael Vitarelli
 Daniel Whalen

Beaver Patrol

Thomas Ferrari
 Andrew Johnson
 Drew Kramer - APL
 Sean Lake - PL
 Steven Marino
 Devon Milowe
 Jeffrey Trost

Eagle Patrol

Joshua Alecknavage
 Peter Baldyga
 Joseph Conicella
 David Gainer
 Matthew McCormick
 Andrew Murray
 Charles Palaia - APL
 Anthony Vitarelli - PL
 Andrew Wood

Falcon Patrol

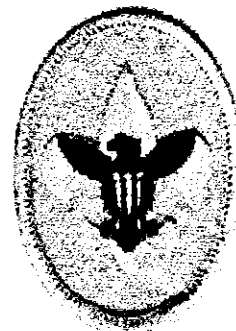
Russell Brick
 David Chapman
 Paul Corkery - APL
 Ian Denholm
 Jonathan Faust - PL
 Michael Myers

Panther Patrol

Alex Kehler - APL
 Eric Lillethun
 Greg Papania
 Kurt Schmidt - PL
 Dan Tamg
 Neal Tyler

Wolverine Patrol

Garrett Dawson
 Charles Gibbins
 Thomas Handza
 Jeffrey Ho
 Michael Inzinna
 Andrew Kidder
 Ian MacMillan
 David Martell
 Michael McCormick - PL
 Jonathan Murray
 Joseph Murtha
 Aakash Patel
 Brandon Pope
 Matthew Regan
 Keith Schaffer
 Scott Talucci
 Patrick Whalen - APL



**Friendly
 Courteous
 Kind**

More Important Stuff...

Merit Badge Counselors

Gary Lake 767-0507

Environmental Science
Lifesaving
Backpacking
Swimming
Hiking

Jim Frame 767-9402

Camping
Dog Care
Rifle Shooting
Shotgun Shooting
Insect Study
Animal Science

Bob Faust 627-8797

Sports
Scholarship
Computers
Coin Collecting
Cinematography

Marjean Lillethun 768-0284

Music
Genealogy
Reading
American Heritage

Gordon Skorup 983-3275

Emergency Preparedness
Canoeing
Citizenship in the World
Citizenship in the Nation
Citizenship in the Community

Ed Madden 768-0373

Personal Management
Citizenship in the World
Citizenship in the Nation
Citizenship in the Community
Safety

Elaine Whalen 772-5639

Collections
First Aid
Reading
Family Life

Bev Palala 768-1280

Art
Pottery
Basketry
Sculpture
Family Life

Matt Spina 767-6085

Personal Fitness
Wilderness Survival
Skiing
Skating
Journalism

Tom Denholm 767-3035

Environmental Science
Botany
Forestry
Nature
Insect Study

Ann Baldyga 424-6684

Communications

Al Ferrari 768-1495

Photography
Skiing
Personal Fitness
General Science
Whitewater

Frank Conicella 768-9334

Cooking
Collections
Golf
Music
Railroading

Gene Regan 272-0400

Wilderness Survival
Weather
Small Boat Sailing
Family Life
Environmental Science

Obedient
Cheerful
Thrifty

Technology in Camping Today

I find it interesting how the use of modern technology in camping has increased over the years. Times have changed and with them change the equipment which troops and patrols use on campouts. We've gone a far way from the rubbing of two sticks together and the setting up of buffalo huts. Today's campers use the latest in space age materials, computer designed & tested equipment, and the latest in portable communication technology.

This "tech" persona which is emanating from campers across the country is certainly evident in Troop 48. Among some of the more interesting gizmos which our Troop Tech's have in their possessions are Portable Power Stations capable of providing 12 watts of power for extended periods, portable propane tent heaters which keep even our most rough and tough scouts warm & cozy on those especially cold trips, "ham" radios which help keep us in communication with the outside world, and rechargeable Cellular telephones which allow us to get in instant communication with parents no matter where we may be.

Some would say that this new technology has changed camping. This far I agree with, but I don't believe in the least that modern technology has changed camping for the worse. In fact, I believe that technology has only improved the camping experience and made it both a more rewarding and a much safer endeavor. We now have gadgets which allow give us instantaneous communication with parents at home.. these being the cellular phone and the ham radio. These both give our leaders a place to turn in the case of an emergency situation.

Other devices increase the comfort of our scouts on their longer, more intensive, and more arduous trips, such as the tent heaters and power stations. It's a well known fact that when kids are cold, tired, and miserable that they want more to simply get home to comfort than to learn anything. It is important that our scouts not simply go on trips to experience, but they should also learn something about their environment and the community around them. It is in my opinion, that our technologies only help facilitate this.



**Leave
No
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Help Wanted

Have any ideas for stories for the newsletter? Feel free to submit articles to Troop 48 Trails. It is your newsletter, after all. Please submit articles to one of the newsletter's four editors: Doug Faust, Joe Palaia, Mike Vitarelli, or David Lillethun. We will be glad to look over the article; and if we feel it is appropriate, we will include it in a future edition of Troop 48 Trails. Note that the editors reserve the right to shorten or otherwise change submitted articles. Thanks!

The Editors

Troop Leadership...

Sponsoring Organization - Holy Communion Lutheran Church, Rt. 73, Berlin, N.J.

Scoutmaster - Gary Lake

Asst. Scoutmaster - Matt Spina

Troop Committee Chairman - Ed Madden

Troop Committee - Jim Frame, Gordon Skorup, Bob Faust, Marjean Lillethun, Bev Palaia, Elaine Whalen, Kevin Johnson

Troop Auxiliary - Elaine Whalen, Ed Madden

Newsletter Staff - Doug Faust, Joe Palaia, Michael Vitarelli, David Lillethun

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Clean
Reverent**