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GET INVOLVED, MAKE THE ALUMNI EXCITING AGAIN!
SAY BYE TO GEORG, HE IS STEPPING DOWN AS CHAIRMAN.
FUND RAISING

Yard Sale: This last year was a success. Due to COVID we had to change the date and because of construction at the “usual” location we had to move it across town. We made over ~ $3700 dollars before the canopy/tent /storage and advertisement. The alumni did a lot of the work leading up to this event. Georg got his hands on some free stuff from a storage business going out of business and this saved the sale. However it was a lot of work on his part and we had to pay for storage. Carol and Doug Doyle (honorary members) helped again as much as they could, helping a great deal with pricing the jewelry and the special treasures. The tent was well worth it again keeping the rain and sun off us as usual and is a needed addition every year. This years will be June 11th and 12th.

Scout Show: For the first time in a long time, if ever, there was no scout show in 2021. Of course it is because the pandemic. We do have new banners and the like, so when we are back at it we will have what we need.

NEW SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Dana Kuhns joined Rip Van Winkle Council in January 2020, prior he was most recently serving as Field Director, within the Doylestown council, which serves more than 8,500 youth. Previously, he held posts in Moosic, Warren, Mechanicsburg and Du- bois, Pennsylvania; and Portland, ME with increasing responsibility within the Boy Scouts of America professional services over the last 33 years. Welcome Dana!

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**BEAVER DAY**

Mark your calendar for May 15th. The council will be holding a beaver day in camp and the first official clean up day in a year. Of course, due to the pandemic, COVID protocols will be in place and units and individuals will arrive and have to social distance. So communication with the council is very important. With that in mind, a list is being shared in advance so that units can pick projects and chose when they want to do them. Beaver Day does not have to be the only day that projects are started or completed. Contact the scout office about projects and watch the website for details.

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**CAMP MASTER PROGRAM**

Do you remember when!? Years ago there used to be a program where registered scout leaders would go to camp on Friday night and “open” the camp for the units and organizations that were coming to camp for the weekend.

Well, we are starting this program again. Requirements area that you are a registered scouter and have youth protection training. You and your immediate family could spend the weekend at Trimount in Savagy or VFW cabin while looking after the camp.

The training will occur on an as needed basis. You would come up and stay in camp for the weekend, open facilities as needed and do projects that you are capable to perform or monitor individuals in camp doing projects. 

At present only families can camp overnight on camp propriety as a unit. However, projects can be performed and these individuals may need equipment. COVID protocols are in place so mask wearing and cleaning/sanitizing continues to be performed.

If you are interested in the program and have question contact Heath Tong at HATong@aol.com.
CTAA MERCHANDISE

The following items are currently available from the CTAA store:

Association Patch $5.00
Previous years Membership Patch $4.00
Back Patch $12.00
Moseman Bar n patch $1.00
Morlang Memorial $15.00
Ball Hats $10.00
Neon knit 10th Anniversary Hats $10.00
Neckerchiefs $11.00
Polo Shirts $16.00
S,M,L, X L $18.00
XX Large $20.00
XXX Large $22.00
XXXXL &XXXXXL $5.00
Pins $5.00
Dollar Clip $5.00
Neckerchief Slides $5.00
Key Chains $5.00
Bolo $7.00
Jackets $45.00
S,M,L,XL $47.00
XXL

You can have your name put on, ask about details.

The Alumni Association

Camp in a Box

Camp Tri-Mount has gone virtual again in 2021. 2020, because of the pandemic, camp went virtual. In a partnership with Hudson Valley Council, Tri-Mount went to a virtual platform that allowed scouts and cub scout to come together, perform daily activities and work on merit badges.

The Cub Scouts spent about an hour, if that, on line, in the morning, getting announcements and receive instruction about their daily project. The cubs would then go outside or wherever and make their bug hotels, or make window leaf displays and the like. The parent would take pictures and post them on Facebook or Instagram as desired. The Cubs could also listen in on the siesta presentation if desired. There would be opening and closing camp fires for all. Non Cub Scouts are welcome to participate in this program.

The Scouts would have a similar schedule except they would have merit badge class that they could attend. The siesta presentation would be an international scout or some other fun presentation.

This year the plan is to do the same however we may have a hybrid opportunity for the scouts were some merit badges would be held in camp on a day to day basis. Rip Van Winkle is the only council running this program in the area this year. These are the plans in the works. They are looking for merit badge counselors. If you are interested in being a MB counselor contact Doug Whitaker, 845-339-0846, at the Scout office, or Douglas.whitaker@scouting.org.

UPCOMING CTA EVENT

YARD SALE June 11th and 12th
Alumni 25th Anniversary at CAMP TRI-MOUNT,
EAST JEWETT, 25th BBQ July 31

UPCOMING CAMP RELATED DATES 2021:

May Beaver day May 15
OA Spring weekend June 4-5-6
Camp 75th Anniversary Celebration July 31
CTAA 25th Anniversary Celebration July 31
Half Moon Lodge 75th Anniversary July 30-31 with vigil starting 30th