



# Newsletter

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## CALENDAR

### JANUARY 2015

1/2 -TROOP MEETING (7 to 9 PM)

1/6 – Board of Review (7:00 PM) & Troop  
Committee Mtg.

1/7 – Patrol Leaders Council (7:30-8:30 PM)

1/8 – *Diamond Rock Roundtable*

**1/9-11 - Winter Camp at Horseshoe –  
Fathers invited!**

1/16 -TROOP MEETING (7 to 9 PM)

**1/23-25 – Matje Farm Weekend**

1/30 – TROOP MEETING (7 to 9 PM)

### FEBRUARY 2015

2/2 - *Friends of Troop 78 Board Meeting*

2/3 – Board of Review (7:00 PM) & Troop  
Committee Mtg.

2/4 - Patrol Leaders Council (7:30 PM)

2/6 - TROOP FIRST AID MEET (7-9 PM)

Begin Hoagie Sale

**2/7 – Council First Aid Meet**

**(Downtown)**

2/12 – *Council-wide Roundtable*

**2/21 and/or 22 - Ski Trip**

2/27 - TROOP MEETING (7 to 9 PM)

**NOTE: Camping Trips/Major Events  
shown in Bold. TROOP MEETINGS  
underlined in CAPITALS. Adult only  
meetings in Italics.**

### NEW DADS NEEDED!

The January Troop Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 6th, at 7:30 PM at the cabin. The committee meets on the first Tuesday of the month to guide and discuss the operation of the troop. New dads are especially encouraged to attend these meetings to get involved in troop activities.

**TWO TRIPS IN JANUARY:** Winter Camp information repeated from last issue and new information on the Matje Farm “Winter Olympiad.”

## ANNUAL WINTER CAMP AND FATHER/SON WEEKEND AT HORSESHOE (Father’s attendance is not required for scouts to attend)

**Dates:** January 9 to 11, 2015

**Location:** Camp Horseshoe,  
Rising Sun, MD, Browning and  
Schramm Lodges (heated by  
woodstoves)

### What do I bring?

Sleeping Bag

Flashlight

Warm clothes

Rain or Snow gear

Sturdy shoes or boots

Toilet Articles

Gloves and work gloves (two  
pairs)

**Drinking cup (troop mugs will  
be on sale for \$5)**

Scout Handbook

Sled?

PACK IN a DUFFEL BAG (no  
suitcases please)

**Getting there:** The Troop 78 bus or  
your dad’s car. The bus (or  
carpools) will be leaving the cabin at  
6:00 PM on Friday. Expected  
return is 10:30 AM on Sunday.

**Activities include:** Scout skill  
sessions, advancement, camp tour,  
woodcutting, scavenger hunt,  
games, movie, snacks, Fun!

**How do I reserve a spot?** Tell your  
Patrol Leader by Sunday, January  
4th. Food cost is \$20 for adults  
(collected at camp) and free for  
scouts and visiting Webelos.

Dads, we encourage you to join us  
and see what Troop 78 is all about.

Please tell your son’s patrol leader  
that you will be joining us.

Scouts, this is a perfect opportunity  
to invite a friend or a Webelos in  
your neighborhood to visit and learn  
about scouting and Troop 78!

**What if I have more questions?**  
Call your patrol leader or senior  
patrol leader.

### “WINTER OLYMPIAD” TRIP TO MATJE FARM

January 23-25

**Dads and Webelos Welcome!**

Save the date! Hike, sled or ski  
cross country at Mr. Matje’s farm!  
Sleep in a 150+ year-old barn!  
Hear coyotes and see animal  
tracks! Winter Olympic “fun” events  
include snow melting, log sawing,  
sled racing, snowshoe relays, tug-  
of-war, skeet shooting and more!

**Don’t miss this trip! One of the  
best events of the scouting year!**

### What To Bring:

(Pack in a duffel bag)

**Winter sleeping bag or sleeping  
bag w/blanket**

Sleeping pad

Flashlight

Warm clothes, gloves, pullover hat

Rain /snow gear

Sleds, ice-skates, XC skis

(optional and weather-  
dependent)

Sturdy hiking boots

Extra synthetic or wool socks

Toilet articles

**DRINKING CUP**

Money for “pit stops” (snacks, etc.)

**Transportation:** Troop bus – Meet  
at cabin on Friday, January 23rd.  
Leaving cabin at 6:00 PM SHARP.

Arrive back at cabin at about 2:00 PM on Sunday.

**Reservations:** Contact your patrol leader no later than Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, if you're planning to attend. Patrol leaders: Get your patrol count to SPL Billy Mackrides by 8:00 PM on Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Questions?** Call your patrol leader.