



# Willistown Troop 78

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## Troop 78 Conquers Mt. Snow Vermont

Please print out this Newsletter and post a copy for everyone to see.



### April

- 3 Tuesday Board of Review 7PM  
Troop Committee 7:30PM
- 4 Wednesday Patrol Leaders' Council 7:30PM
- 6 Friday - Sunday 8 **Trip to Historic Appomattox**
- 13 Friday Troop Meeting 7PM
- 20 Friday Troop Meeting 7PM  
FINAL CAMP PAYMENT DUE
- 21 Saturday Spring Cabin Cleanup 8AM
- 27 Friday - 29 Sunday Order of the Arrow  
Weekend (members and candidates only)
- 27 Friday Flower orders due  
Flowers will be delivered Saturday May 12

### May

- 1 Tuesday Board of Review 7PM  
Troop Committee 7:30PM
- 2 Patrol Leaders' Council 7:30PM
- 4 Friday Troop Meeting 7PM
- 5 Saturday - 6 Sunday Lackawanna Coal Mine

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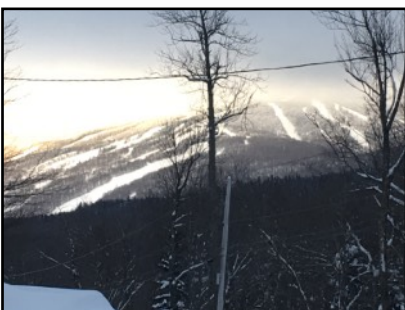
# Ski Trip

Friday March 2 - Sunday March 4, 2018

By Cody Carnes



The Troop ski trip to Vermont was a fun packed and exciting adventure. With the showing of scouts being about 20, everyone was able to quickly find friends to ski or board with. The ride up was the toughest part of the trip. Most scouts slept during the ride up, the bus got to the lodge around 2 AM, leaving adults and scouts with 2-3 hours of sleep. We woke up around 5:45AM to get changed and eat breakfast. Although it was a cold breakfast with cereal and bagels, anything to eat to get us ready for the mountain was appreciated. It was about a 5 minute drive down from the cabin to Mount Snow, and once we got there, everyone was eager to get on the slopes and enjoy. However, some scouts were a bit too eager to hit the fluff and powder. The mountain had just recently received 35 inches of snow, which is a huge amount for ski mountains. But with the snow came many trails covered in it, making it difficult to traverse the mountain. One scout, Nathan Motel, even lost a ski to the powder and could not find it. It will be found in the Spring. The fluff was appreciated though, as later in the day it left us with the prime conditions for skiing. Around 3, we all came back to the lodge so we could depart from the mountain. For dinner, we had applesauce, salad, French fries, and delicious pulled pork sandwiches. Right after dinner, most participants of the trip either took a shower or got some much needed sleep. In the morning, in contrast to the cold breakfast on Saturday, scouts were met with sausages, French toast and leftover French fries that somehow tasted even better than the night before. We then went back to the mountain for one last day of skiing. Thanks to the snow being cut back and groomed by the plows overnight, we were able to have a great time again, with some liking the conditions even more than before. The troop left the mountain at 1PM, and went back to the lodge for last minute packing and cleaning. Once we left, we just sat back and relaxed for the 6 hour home trip that awaited us. All of the scouts appreciated the 3 adults who went on the trip for the scouts, but don't ski themselves: Mr. Bilson with cooking, Mr. Schallack with driving the bus, and Mr. D with his always present oversight and support.





# Hoagie Sale

Saturday March 17, 2018

By Kathi Schallack

Hoagies, Hoagies, and More Hoagies !!!

This long-standing tradition for Troop 78 is always an undertaking but what a refreshing one. A great sign that Spring is coming when those hoagies arrive at your home, fresh and delicious. Thank you to all that came to slice, fill, assemble, wrap and then yes distribute those fantastic Italian hoagies!!

What a tremendous success to see parents and Scouts alike work together in making this sale what it is. It is a daunting task, but we see old-timers and new parents come out Thursday night to slice the thousands of slices of meat and cheese, Friday night to put those thousands slices of meat and cheese together plus fill those peppers cups and Saturday morning to build the final product, organize it and pack it for the Scouts to retrieve. It takes tremendous effort well beyond what is actually seen to make this fundraiser happen every year. For those that always thank Mr. Schallack and I for our efforts I would personally like to say “THANK YOU”!! YOU motivate us to make our efforts worthwhile.

Congratulations to our top sellers for the 2017 hoagie sale. — Daniel Warlick 3rd place, Cameron Skodny 2nd place, Christian Skodney 1st place. Spend your prizes wisely boys!

Congratulations to all the Scouts who sold hoagies and helped with the continued support of Troop 78 and added funds to their individual Scout accounts. Until next year: when I might have the smell of Italian hoagie out of my nose!!

# Pasta Night!

Tuesday March 13

By Joe Cady

On Tuesday March 13 at the cabin, over fifty Scouters and friends enjoyed an evening of food and friendship at the latest Pasta Night dinner. The meal was pretty tasty including lasagna, sweet and spicy sausage, and all of the usual side dishes, but the highlight was the abundant desserts supplied by several of the attendees. We enjoyed homemade blueberry pie, apple pie, cheesecake, brownies and cookies. A big THANK YOU for those wonderful treats, ladies!

These dinners were started many years ago, with the hope of giving the parents and friends of the Troop a chance to meet each other and enjoy an evening of good food and conversation, and as a welcome side benefit, generate some additional funds for Troop program. Through the continued generosity of the Troop family and friends, this event's proceeds will fund High Adventure scholarships for Scouts attending the Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico this summer. Please keep your ear to the rail for the date of the next Pasta Night. Hope to do it again this fall.

All proceeds go to the **High Adventure Trip Scholarship Fund**.

Donations to this fund help scouts attend high adventure trips including Philmont, Sea Base, and Algonquin.



# Notice of Upcoming Events

## Appomattox Trip

Friday April 6 – Sunday April 8, 2018

### Don't Miss Our Camping Trip to Historic Appomattox Court House!

Join Troop 78 as we head to Appomattox Court House for our annual historic-themed camping trip! This year marks the 153<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the surrender of Robert E. Lee's Confederate Army of Northern Virginia to Lt. General Ulysses S. Grant, who came to the town of Appomattox Court House with Major General George C. Meade and the Army of the Potomac.

Appomattox Court House National Historic Park is located in southern Virginia. The Park encompasses the town of Appomattox Court House (which, does in fact, have a courthouse in it) and includes a number of historic homes and structures, including the reconstructed McLean House, which was the actual site of Lee's surrender to Grant. During our Saturday visit to the Park, actors portraying Generals Grant and Lee will be in residence and available for photographs with the Scouts. Visitors will be able to get "parole passes" – that is, papers that allowed surrendering Confederate soldiers to return to their homes – when they stop in to the Clover Hill Tavern. There will be firing demonstrations of both Union and Confederate weapons, readings of historic letters, lectures and over 4,000 reenactors taking part in events all across the Park. Check the events out for yourself at <https://www.nps.gov/apco/153rd-anniversary.htm>

On Sunday, we will visit the National Museum of the Marine Corps (<https://www.usmcmuseum.com/>). The Museum is in its final phases of completion, but even today, it houses some of the finest examples of Marine weaponry and equipment that can be found anywhere. The Museum's purpose is to tell the story of the US Marine Corps, from its founding in the early days of the American Revolution to the missions it serves today in Iraq and Afghanistan. Visitors experience all phases of Marine life, from recruiting, to training, to deployment. The displays are remarkable. This is a "must see" facility for anyone with even a passing interest in military history.

But don't take our word for it – come see for yourself! Join our exciting excursion to these two fabulous destinations. This is a wonderful trip for our new Scouts who have just crossed over from Webelos, so we look forward to having you!

Dads, a reminder that you are always welcome – and encouraged – to join our camping trips. If you're a history buff, or you like to camp, or you just want to spend time with a great group of Scouts, leaders and other dads, please join us. **ALL ADULTS ATTENDING THE TRIP MUST HAVE COMPLETED BSA YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING.** The Troop needs a copy of a current YPT certificate for each adult attendee. If you have not completed YPT, please visit <http://www.cccbsa.org/youthprotection> and take the training today.

We are staying at Camp William B. Snyder in Virginia. This BSA facility is conveniently located for both our historic visits. There is no charge for Scouts, visiting Webelos (each of whom must be accompanied by a male adult), or Webelo leaders/fathers accompanying us on the trip. The Troop charges \$35 for all adults who are registered with the Troop, and \$65 for adults who are NOT registered with the Troop. See the sign-up form at: [Appomattox sign up form and info](#). Hard copies are also available at the Cabin. Don't delay – demand for this Trip will be high. See you on the bus!

# Diamond Rock Breakfast Guest of Honor Sam Lemheney

Wednesday April 25, 7AM

By Jim Bennett

## Sam Lemheney of Willistown Troop 78 To Speak at Diamond Rock District Friends of Scouting Breakfast

Willistown Troop 78 Assistant Scoutmaster Sam Lemheney will be the featured speaker at the Chester County Council Diamond Rock District's 2018 Friends of Scouting Breakfast. The Breakfast will be held on Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 AM at the Sheraton Great Valley Hotel, 707 East Lancaster Avenue, in Frazer. Admission to the breakfast is free; however, attendees are asked to make a donation to the 2018 Chester County Council Friends of Scouting. Those Troop 78 adults who that have already made a contribution are welcome to attend without making an additional pledge to FOS.

Sam is the Vice President and Chief of Shows for the Philadelphia Horticultural Society. Sam is best known for his role in heading the Philadelphia Flower Show. Established in 1829, the Philadelphia Flower Show draws attendees from around the globe, and is recognized internationally as the best event of its kind. Sam regularly appears in 6ABC's pre-show television special with hosts Adam Joseph, David Murphy, Karen Rogers, Melissa Magee and Cecily Tynan.

Sam's reputation and expertise have led to invitations to serve as an advisor and judge for flower shows around the world. He has traveled extensively to the Far East and to Europe to judge floral events. One of the highlights of his career was serving as a judge at the Tournament of Roses Parade.

The father of Eagle Scout and Troop 78 alumnus Chip Lemheney and current 78 member Alex Lemheney, Sam regularly camps with the Troop and spends time with us each year at summer camp.

If you would like to attend the Diamond Rock FOS Breakfast, please send your RSVP to Jim Bennett, chair of the event, by calling him at 267 615 4236, or emailing him at [skibennett@comcast.net](mailto:skibennett@comcast.net). **Please RSVP by Friday, April 15th.** We would like to have a strong showing of support from Troop 78 at this event. Sam's presentation will be one of the highlights of the Scouting year – mark your calendar now and plan to attend!

NOTE: This is adult-only event. However, Troop 78 will be supplying the Scout Color Guard for the Breakfast. If you are a Scout who would like to participate in the Color Guard, please let Mr. D. know.

## Main Line Animal Rescue (MLAR) Parking Event

Saturday April 7, 2018

Please mark your calendar for a few hours of service to MLAR. Troop 78 has a tradition of helping this worthy organization with its fundraising events. We put our car parking skills to good use and direct the parking for the Annual MLAR Run / Walk. The time commitment is only 7AM to 9AM and we need approximately 8 volunteers. If you can help, please contact [Steve Brown](#). Thanks!

## Spring Flower Sale Kickoff!

**Sale Kickoff: Friday April 13, 2018**      **Flower delivery: Saturday May 12, 2018**

The Spring Flower Sale will start April 13th! Please use this opportunity to help the Troop AND beautify your yard this upcoming Spring and Summer. This sale supports Troop program and Scout Scholarship funds. Also remember: a portion of each sale is attributed to the individual scout who made the sale. Scouts can use their earnings to pay for any Troop related expense, for example: Camp Horseshoe, and other High Adventure trips. To find out how much money you have in your Scout Account, contact [Joe Cady](#).

To buy flowers, patio plants, and garden plants please see: [shop.tr78.org](http://shop.tr78.org).

# Troop 78 to Build New Tent Platforms for Dan Beard Campsite

## Upcoming Project for Camp Horseshoe

At the April OA weekend (4/27-4/29), Troop 78 will begin the process of building new tent platforms for the entire Dan Beard Campsite at Camp Horseshoe. We all have fond memories of Dan Beard.

Several years ago all of the tents were replaced through the generosity of numerous Troop 78ers. Now it's time to replace the platforms. Please consider joining us for this project. If you cannot make it (and even if you can), please consider making a donation toward the cost of the project. We estimate the cost at about \$5,000. We have raised \$3,500 to this point!

Please contact [Pete Motel](#) if you wish to make a donation toward this project.

## Summer Camp is Right Around the Corner!

Sunday June 24 - Sunday July 8, 2018

By Tim Hornickle

Winter has ended and it's time to think about summer camp!

There are only 11 weeks and 5 days left until Troop 78 will arrive at the Dan Beard Campsite at Camp Horseshoe for two weeks:

- Week One starts on Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup> and ends on July 1<sup>st</sup>
- Week Two begins on Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup> and ends on July 8<sup>th</sup>

**Final payment is due by April 20<sup>th</sup>** (cost this year is \$405.00 per week if paid in full by April 20<sup>th</sup>, \$465 per week after April 20<sup>th</sup>).

Please include final payment slip with payment (slip is available on the Troop website).

Do not forget about the Multi-Scout Family Discount. Families with more than one scout attending camp with the troop pays the entire fee for Scout one; the entire fee less \$50 for each additional scout.

**Medical forms are due May 31<sup>st</sup>.** The health form is on the troop website and must be less than one calendar year old for the entire time you are at camp. Please make sure the completed medical form includes parts A, B & C with a front and back copy of your medical insurance card.

You will receive a free troop T-shirt if you pay in full by April 20<sup>th</sup> and turn in your completed medical form to the troop by May 31<sup>st</sup>.

Troop 78 Scouts learn many skills for rank advancement, hundreds of merit badges, and display their teamwork, skills, and Scout spirit in the many games and contests at camp. The basis for our Scouting program is camping, and this two-week period is always the highlight of our Scouting year.

Your troop committee and leadership would like to have 100% of the troop in camp this summer. We are encouraging 2<sup>nd</sup> year and up campers to stay for two weeks.

If you have any questions, please contact Tim Hornickle at [thornickle@msn.com](mailto:thornickle@msn.com) or call at (610) 742-1560.

[Click here for more information about Summer Camp.](#)





# Radnor Races - Save the Date: Saturday May 19, 2018

Please [email Brian Rothberg](#) for more information.

Radnor Races weekend is coming up on Saturday & Sunday, May 19th & 20th.

This is one of THE MOST IMPORTANT WEEKENDS on the Troop 78 calendar.

We need as many people coming out to work as much time as they possibly can. We especially need ADULTS! We will be out from around 7 AM to 6 PM on Saturday, May 19. Please concentrate on helping us between 11:00 and 3:00. These are the most critical hours. Of course help any time is appreciated and extended hours are always needed. Clean-up is Sunday morning from 8 AM to Noon. Remember, we welcome and need help from every person you can bring out, not just Scouts & parents!

## Volunteering at the Radnor Races helps:

-OUR TROOP'S MAJOR COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

-TROOP 78 EARN FUNDS

-PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT, AS TROOP 78 HELPS THE BRANDYWINE CONSERVANCY PRESERVE OPEN SPACE IN OUR AREA

-EARN MONEY IN YOUR SCOUT ACCOUNT

Your sign-up sheet should arrive in the mail soon. *Please fill it out & send it back as soon as you get it.* That will minimize unnecessary calls and e-mails both for your sake and ours. **PLEASE BE PROMPT!!!**



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