



# South Mountain District News



Minsi Trails Council. B.S.A.

April 2007

## Dates to Remember

District Meeting 7:30pm	04-03-07 [1]
Roundtable / OA Chapter 7:00pm	04-04-07 [2]
College of Commissioner Science	04-13-15-07 [4]
Pinewood Derby	04-14-07 [1]
New Leader Essentials Training	04-19-07 [95]
NYLT	04-20-22-07 [4]
SMD District Dinner	04-21-07 [1]
District Commissioners 7pm	04-25-07 [3]
Cub Leader Specific Training	04-26-07 [95]
NYLT	04-27-29-07 [4]
District Meeting 7:30pm	05-01-07 [1]
Roundtable / OA Chapter 7:00pm	05-02-07 [2]
Beaver Day weekend	05-04-06-07 [ ]
Council Eagle Dinner	05-17-07 [96]
Webelos Outdoor Training	05-12-07 [ ]
District Commissioners 7pm	05-30-07 [3]
OA Spring Weekend	06-01-03-07 [ ]
District Meeting 7:30pm	06-05-07 [1]
Roundtable / OA Chapter 7:00pm	06-06-07 [2]
OA Summer Picnic	06-09-07 [ ]
District Commissioners 7pm	06-27-07 [3]
Cub Fall Event	10-21-07

### Meeting Locations

- [1] East Hills Moravian Church  
1830 Butztown Rd, Bethlehem
- [2] St. Luke's Hospital and Health Network  
800-801 Ostrum Street Bethlehem, PA 18018
- [3] St. John's Lutheran/ UCC Church of  
Farmersville, 8065 William Penn Hwy, Bethlehem
- [4] Trexler Scout Reservation
- [5] Camp Minsi
- [6] Minsi Trails Office  
991 Postal Road, Allentown, PA 18109
- [10] Hellertown Sportsmen's Gun Club  
Meadows Rd, Hellertown
- [93] Lehigh Carbon Community College
- [94] Christ Lutheran Church  
69 Main St., Hellertown
- [95] St. Stephen's Lutheran Church,  
67 W. Washington Ave, Bethlehem, PA 18018
- [96] Candlelight Conference Center
- [98] Jordan Lutheran Church  
5103 Snowdrift Road, Orefield, PA
- [99] To be Determined

## Tunkhannock Chapter

The Tunkhannock Chapter of the Witauchsoman Lodge meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the same location as the South Mountain District Roundtable.



Tunkhannock Chapter is in the midst of unit elections for each of the Troops in the South Mountain District.

Reminder – 2007 membership dues can be paid at Chapter meetings.

### Who to contact

**Chapter Chief:** Alex Nilsen (610) 346-9592

**Chapter Advisor:** Dave Hay (610) 861-4494

## 2007 District Dinner



Mark your calendar for the 2007 District Dinner on April 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:30pm, at East Hills Moravian Church. All Adult Scouters, Spouses, and Chartered Partners are cordially invited to honor all award recipients.

### Award Recipients are:



#### District Award of Merit

**David Hay, Michael Weaver, and David Ellis**

#### District Fellowship Award

**Maureen Thorley, Mark Brockway, Sandy Breuningsen, Robyn Balsai, and David Laudenslager**

Congratulations from the District Committee.



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## NYLT

The Minsi Trails Council will be sponsoring a two Troop course in 2007 to provide additional opportunities for the Scoutmasters to train your youth leaders. The National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) course training course supports Scoutmasters in their primary responsibility of training youth leaders. The Minsi Trails Council will offer the two weekend course in April, 2007.

## New Leader Essentials Training

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 19, 2007

**TIME:** 7:00pm to 8:30pm (Registration opens at 6:30pm)

**LOCATION:** St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, 67 W. Washington Ave, Bethlehem, PA 18018-2433  
(corner of Washington Ave. and Main St.)

Use rear parking lot entrance)

**COST:** FREE

Please register on-line at the [minsitrails.com](http://minsitrails.com) website

## Inter Council College of Commissioner Science

April 13-15, 2007

**REGISTRATION**

**DEADLINE APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup>**

**NO WALK-INS**

Trexler Scout Reservation

This is an event for every Commissioner or Scouter interested in Commissioner service.!!!

Courses will be offered for new *and* experienced Commissioners.

To attend this College, you must complete Commissioner Basic Training prior to April 13, 2007

**Mealtime Speakers**

**Degree's Offered**

- Bachelors Candidates
- Roundtable Courses
- Masters Candidates
- Doctoral Candidates



New Unit Commissioners can earn a Bachelors Degree and work toward their Bowline Award

**Fun, Food and Fellowship**

**We have 9 Councils represented**

%	Council	No
66.25%	Minsi Trails	53
6.25%	Northeastern PA	5
8.75%	Bucks County	7
3.75%	Columbia-Montour	3
6.25%	Susquehanna	5
5.00%	Northern NJ	4
1.25%	Patriots' Path	1
0.00%	Hawk Mtountain	0
1.25%	Cradle of Liberty	1
1.25%	Central NJ	1
100.00%	Total	80

**Sign up will reach 100 Scouters.**

**More to follow next in month newsletter**

Applications can be found on these websites

<http://www.minsi-southmountain.com/upcoming.htm>

<http://www.minsi-southmountain.com/fliers.htm>

[http://www.minsi-](http://www.minsi-southmountain.com/commissioners.htm)

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<http://www.minsi-southmountain.com/calendar.htm>

[http://www.minsi-](http://www.minsi-southmountain.com/documents/CofCS-Flyer.pdf)

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## Cub Leader Specific Training

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 26, 2007

**TIME:** 7:00pm to 10:00pm (Registration at 6:30pm)

**LOCATION:** St. Stephen's Lutheran Church

**COST:** \$5.00

Please register on-line at the [minsitrails.com](http://minsitrails.com) website

## PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

Each year, the Minsi Trails Council in conjunction with Coca-Cola Bottling Company of the Lehigh Valley, afford our youth the opportunity to participate in a public speaking contest. Each year, Coke awards a \$500 college scholarship to the contest winner!

This year, the contest will be held at the Council Service Center on Saturday, April 14, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. In order to participate, youth must be currently registered as members of a Cub Scout Pack, Boy Scout Troop, Venture Crew or Explorer



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Post. Keep in mind that 18 year-old Eagle Scouts can participate, so long as they're still in high school.

The attached information is self-explanatory regarding the contest, the criteria, and the rules and regulations. If you are interested in participating, please respond by completing the information at the bottom of the flier. If you have any questions, you may call Jim Gillick at 610 465-8566 or email him @ [jgillick@minsitrails.com](mailto:jgillick@minsitrails.com).

Thank you and good luck!!!!

## Tunkhannock Chapter Upcoming Events

April 14 – Lodge #44 is hosting the Allentown Trade-O-Ree. Scouting memorabilia can be bought, sold, traded, or you can just browse. Check our website at [Witauchsoman.org](http://Witauchsoman.org) for all Lodge activities.

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## Cub Scout Leaders Program Planning Conference

Thursday, April 26, 2007  
Jordan United Church of Christ  
1837 Church Road  
Allentown, PA 18104

6:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M. with a complimentary dinner as our thanks for attending!

See flyer attached.

## South Mountain Boy Scout Fall Camporee

Important information for all Boy Scout Troops of the South Mountain District! Mark your calendars for an exciting weekend at Living Memorial Park, in Coopersburg for the annual Fall Camporee. This will be taking place from Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>. We will be checking with units to help run events to make this a success. For more information contact Wayne Biery at [wbiery@vitaulic.com](mailto:wbiery@vitaulic.com) or Marci Weaver at [smilely9@ptd.net](mailto:smilely9@ptd.net), 610.282.0921 More information will be following shortly.

## Pinewood Derby

The District Pinewood Derby is planned for April 14, 2007 at East Hills Moravian Church. Doors open at 8:00AM and racing begins at 9:00 AM SHARP. Please come with your car prepared to race. There will be weigh-ins and a place to make some minor adjustments but the less adjustments needed the quicker everyone can get weighed-in and the racing can begin. Once your car is checked in you and your child WILL NOT be able to touch the car until you leave for the day. Just a little side note; there will be food and refreshments served for both breakfast and lunch. Also, for those coming to the race if you would please stick around afterwards to give a hand cleaning up it would be greatly appreciated.

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