

St. Mark the Evangelist  
Boy Scout Troop 236

**THE 236 TIMES**

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**NOVEMBER, 1992**

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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CM						VC
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VC	TM					CC
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
GB	TM					
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TM						

CM: Committee Meeting

VC: Venture Crew Outing

TM: Troop Meeting

Camp Casperson

: Green Bar meeting

**CAMP CASPERSON**

On Nov. 14-15, the younger scouts (non-venture crew) will be doing their first winter tent camping at Camp Casperson on Bear Pond in Hopatcong. It is a beautiful wilderness camp and all younger scouts (6-8th graders) are urged to attend. The cost is only \$9 per scout (\$5 per adult leader) and must be paid at the Nov. 9 troop meeting. We will leave OLM at 7:30 am sharp on Sat., Nov. 14 and you will be returned to your home by 10:30 am on Sun., Nov. 15. All scouts attending must have long winter underwear and a warm sleeping bag, either a winter bag or 2 summer bags that fit together. (If you have only a

summer bag, you might want to get a warm liner for it instead of buying a winter one. But be ready for COLD weather.) If you don't have a backpack, this would be a good time to get one. Gear must be hiked in.

Be aware cold weather camping requires extra thought and extra gear to combat the cold. This is especially true of TENT cold weather camping, like the Casperson campout. We remind all scouts to switch to cold weather preparation this time of the year.

**DECEMBER**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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UF: Valley Forge campout

CM: Committee meeting

CCP: Committee Christmas Party

TM: Troop meeting

TMP: Troop meeting-Christmas party

**VENTURE CREW**

On November 7th & 8th, there will be a Venture Crew Biking Expedition in the Lehigh Gorge in Pennsylvania. Venture Crew consists of all scouts who are 14 years of age or older, in 9th grade or above, and have achieved the rank of Star Scout.

We will leave OLM parking lot at 7:00 AM on Saturday, bike from 9:00 AM to around 3:00 PM, and then camp at Hickory Run State Park. You will be returned to your home by 10:30 AM on Sunday. The cost for this trip is \$30, which consists of bikes and food, and is due at the October 13th troop meeting.

**VALLEY FORGE**

We will cabin camp at Camp Devon near Valley Forge on December 4-6. On Saturday December 5, we will do the historical tour. The time of departure and cost will be announced at an upcoming troop meeting.

**CANDY SALE**

Our annual candy sale will run from mid-November to around Christmas. Look for a separate mailing from Mr. Falcone coming soon.

## CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Congratulations to Joe Rizzo on earning his WOOD BADGE. This is a great honor that Joe well deserves. Joe could also write a book on his ovens!!

THANK YOU to the troop - scouts and leaders - who fed and entertained us on a very cold Saturday night. The food was great (and plentiful) and the opening ceremony was very well done. The entertainment was, as usual, just right for such an evening. Will Harold ever learn to watch when climbing trees?

## BSA HAM RADIO

B.S.A. Ham Radio classes are starting soon. Please telephone Mr. George Cooke at [REDACTED] for information.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 5-6: Valley Forge Campout  
Dec. 21: Christmas Party  
Jan. 8-10: Venture Crew - surveying  
Camp Allamuchy (tentative)  
Jan. 30-31: Camp Merryheart  
Mar. 5-7: Cooperstown, N.Y.-Hall of Fame  
[REDACTED]

SCOUTING FOR FOOD---The bags are in and will be distributed soon. This will take place on Nov. 14th. You can place these on your neighbors' doors beginning November 10th.

COMMITTEE MEETING---November 2nd, at the Bruenings', 7:30 pm. All committee members and anyone interested in helping PLEASE come.

Last month I made a typing error and spelled Mr. Carl Brand's name wrong. I apologize. Becky Bruening.