



## Roundtable Announcements August 7, 2008

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**Popcorn Time Again:** The York District Popcorn training will be on **Sunday, August 10, 2008** at Camp Nutter. A Barbecue has been planned. **This is a Free Event.** Please register before **Friday, August 8, 2008** so supplies can be purchased. If your unit has not sold popcorn in the past, please consider it as your major fundraiser for your unit. The popcorn is an easy product to sell and has repeat customers from year to year. The Show-N-Sell Popcorn Program is a great way to get started selling popcorn or add to your Take Order Popcorn Sales. Some units do both programs and have great success with them. . For more information about the Trails End Popcorn program, checkout their website at [www.trails-end.com](http://www.trails-end.com). Please contact Frank for more information.

**Race Into Scouting:** The Race Into Scouting Program for 2008 will be run a little different than in the past. There will **NOT** be any set dates to do a sign-up in September. What we are looking to do is have the units choose a date in September that best suits them and have their sign-up on that night. What we hope to do is have our Commissioner Staff or your District Executive come to each sign-up to help with the paperwork and recruit the leaders for the new Cub Scout dens. With this approach, we hope to increase the retention of scouts and increase parental participation in our units. This program is for Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturing Crews. . Please take the time now to determine when and where your unit will be holding it's sign-up and contact Frank with your information. **If we have the sign-up information by Mid-August, your flyers will be available at the September RT.**

**York District Membership:** York District membership as of 8/7/08 is **1,253 youth and 69 units**. The York District goal for the 12/31/08 is **1,674 youth and 75 Units**. The only way we can make our goal is if we view recruiting as a year round program. We need to add @ **421** new youth and 6 more units to our program to make it happen. Can we do it? Yes we can. We need to promote, promote and promote our programs on a continuous basis. If half of our scouts had a friend join, we would have more than enough to make our goal. A few years ago, we had over **2,100** scouts in our district. They are out there. Let's find them.

**Friends of Scouting:** York District raised nearly **\$30,500.00** or **98.3 %** of our **\$31, 000.00** goal. Thank you to all of the Packs, Troops and families for their generosity in making the 2007 Family Friends of Scouting Campaign such a success. Your positive response to the FOS Program shows the commitment to the scouting program in York District and the Pine Tree Council. Again **THANK YOU** for your support.

**Program Launch Packet:** If you were unable to attend the Program Launch at the June Roundtable, please pick up your Program Launch Packet tonight or stop by the council office and see Frank for your unit's packet. It contains Council Planning Calendars and information on School Night for Scouting, Popcorn Sales, Scouting for Food, District and Council events and a whole lot more. This information is key for a successful scouting program.

**York District Day Camp 2008: A HUGE Thank you** to Diana Vermette and Ed Caron for all their hard work setting up our 2008 CS Day Camp. We had awesome time at Camp Nutter and many happy campers. Thank you also to **ALL** the volunteers who helped make the program a huge success. Over 70 Cub Scouts had fun in the sun at Camp Nutter. ☺ ☺ ☺ ☺

## **FUNTOWN / SPLASHTOWN U.S.A.**

Attention All Scouts and Scouting Families!

Once again the Pine Tree Council, will be offering discounted Funtown/Splashtown tickets so that Scouts and their families can enjoy a fun day together! Come join the fun and live stage shows. The prices for the 2008 season are as follows:

<b>Funtown Pass</b>	<b>\$18.00</b>
<b>Splashtown Pass</b>	<b>\$16.00</b>
<b>Combination Pass</b>	<b>\$24.00</b>

The tickets will be available for sale at the Pine Tree Council Service Center **May 1 through August 29, 2008**. As with last year's tickets sale, these tickets can be used anytime during the 2008 Funtown/Splashtown U.S.A. season. **Tickets are available on a first come first served basis.** Please do not wait for the last day to purchase your tickets as they sell out quickly. If you have any questions, please call Jo at 797-5252.

**Please note that our next RT will be on Thursday, September 4, 2008 at 7:00 PM at the Sanford HS. Hope to see you then.**

☺ Thank you for **ALL** you do for our Scouting Program. ☺