

March 1, 2010



The Cook's Fork.

As we move into 2010, Scatacook is off and running.

First, congratulations go out to Gregory Zap, Tom O'Brien and T. G. Henderson as our new Silver Beaver recipients. These three Scouters have given countless hours to the youth in our district and to the council. Congratulations also go out to Laura O'Brien for receiving the Venture Award. Laura has done a tremendous amount of work to further Venturing in our council. And if you are wondering, yes Tom and Laura are husband and wife.

Planning for our **Fall Camporee 2010** has begun. We are using a new format for this year. We are having the Cub Packs and Boy Scout Troops from Sherman and New Fairfield plan and run the programming. In the following years, Packs and Troops from other towns will be planning our annual fall event. Though a formal theme has not been announced, we do know there will be day events for the Cubs as well as events for the Webelos and the Boy Scouts. The second year Webelos and Boy Scout Troops will be camping overnight on Friday and they will have the option of camping overnight on Saturday. Doug Dorsey of Troop 42 in New Fairfield is the Camporee Chair. The Camporee will be on October 15 to 17 at Hoyt in West Redding.

Coming up this spring will be the return of **Me and My Shadow**, scheduled for June 19 and 20 at John Sherman Hoyt Scout Camp in West Redding. Dave Shuford, Cubmaster of Pack 118 in Redding, and his Pack will be running the event. Knowing Dave, this will be a spectacular event. Flyers should be out shortly so be on the look out for them at Roundtable.

And speaking of dates, please check out our calendar dates that have been posted on our district website, www.scatacook.org. We are scheduled through December of 2011!

Now if there are any golfers in the house, we want to hear from you. Scatacook is planning its first event **Golf Tournament** on Monday, June 14, 2010. We will be golfing at River Oaks Golf Club in Sherman. This is a fantastic course and I look forward to giving it a shot! So if you can "swing" a day off from work, bring your clubs and come join us for some good old Scouting fun. If you know of golfers, invite them to join us. They don't have to be Scouters to play. Also, we can use help in securing sponsors for holes and other aspects of the event. If you have any leads, contact us ASAP. And if you have ever been involved with the planning of a golf tournament, please let us know. We could certainly use your help and expertise! If

you have any questions, contact Alvin Tuck, the tournament chair at atuck@ajtuckco.com or 860-354-2025.

This is also the time to welcome our new members to our district family. Steve Martin has come on board as our new Cub Roundtable Commissioner. Steve is assembling an excellent staff to deliver some great programming to our Cub leaders. Dave Shuford has joined us as our Cub Activities Chair. For those who know Dave, he has great enthusiasm and energy for the Cub program. We are going to have some great Cub events coming up under Dave's leadership!

And we have a couple of internal moves. Ray Pflomm has taken over the position of Vice-Chair for Program. Ray is an avid outdoorsman as well as a Scoutmaster for T135 in Brookfield. Marty Schorr has become our Vice-Chair for Finance, moving from District Activities Chair. Marty's an accountant in his other life and is using those skills to help us navigate our way.

A final – coming shortly will be order forms for **Scatacook District Hats and Jackets**. The hats and jackets will have the logo that is on the district neckerchief. The colors will be gray and burgundy – our colors. If you are interested, you can see me at the next roundtable. I will have all the information by then.

And to all our Scout leaders in the district:

YOU ARE SCATACOOK!

Eric Larson

District Chairman