

Business Plan Improvements Continue

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Implementation of the Girl Scouts in the Heart of Pennsylvania's business plan recommendations continues and we are pleased to share the following updates with you:

Task Force Updates

The implementation of GSHPA's business plan continues as task forces work to consider signature programming initiatives, customer service and other issues. A main discussion includes how to link up with the 100th anniversary of Girl Scouts in 2012 which will have a national theme of "Forever Green" with a focus on the environment.

Farewell Events at Discontinued Camps

The Council and local volunteers are planning farewell events at some of our discontinued camps. So far, events are planned at Camp Pocono on July 18, Camp Laurel on July 31 and Camp Lycogis on August 7. At the same time we are taking registration for Sleep Away Camp and our Outdoor Program Task Force is deciding on models to emphasize and improve in the outdoor programming we offer.

New Way of Work Success So Far

In the North region we are experimenting with a new kind of staff deployment and way of working – with staff spending more time in the field with girls and volunteers and having fewer office hours. The feedback from volunteers attending "think tanks" in Frackville and Montoursville has been generally favorable with many saying they are now enjoying better access to their Membership Associates.

Save the Date for Annual Kick-Off Event

We are looking forward to Kick-Off this August 14th at Camp Louise when there will be a chance for more dialogue with you as the new troop year begins.

Annual Meeting Date Set

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 30, 2011 at an as yet undetermined location.

Feedback Always Welcome

Your opinion continues to be important to us on any aspect of the Council's work and business plan implementation. We encourage you to share your feedback at

<http://www.gshpa.org/feedback.html>.