

# Troop 185

## Wellesley, Massachusetts



August, 2011

Dear Parents and Scouts,  
It is hard to believe that we start up in a few days.

This year we will be starting meetings on MONDAY, August 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM. at St. John's School Hall. This meeting will again involve both Scouts and parents. We expect at least one parent from each family to attend with their son, and bring your calendar & checkbooks with you. The Troop Leaders have been working hard to put the program together for the upcoming year and we will be presenting it, along with copies of the Troop calendar at this time.

All Forms are available on the website (troop185wellesley.org)

Troop Code of Conduct Please sit down & read this over with your son. It has been updated from last year. We will be collecting & talking about this at the meeting.

Medical Form for you to fill out on your son, we need to update these each year. Bring on the 29<sup>th</sup>. They do not have to be signed by the doctor. **We don't need these for the Scouts who went to the Philmont or Resolute with the Troop; Copies have been kept.**

Activity Consent Form for you to fill out on your son. Please bring on the 29<sup>th</sup>.

Troop Resource & Parent Assistance Survey – Again this year we will be collecting this data online. In particular we need Merit Badge Counselors to assist with several of the Eagle required badges. Please go to <http://troop185wellesley.org/survey/>. You will need the logon “member185” and password “a1troop” to sign on.

Scout & Parent Participation Survey - We will talk about the trips at the meeting. Please go over the dates of the trips so you know if your son wants to go that you do not have a conflict. This form is for interest & planning only, once you sign the permission slip that is the commitment.

Also note that the Date of the first Campout, the Saco River Canoe Trip, is September 9- 11, 2011. The attached permission slip should be brought to the Troop meeting on the 29<sup>th</sup>, if your son is planning on going. We will be having a special planning meeting for everyone going on the trip on Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> – held where we usually meet. The Nantucket bike Trip will be the weekend of Oct 8-10<sup>th</sup> (Columbus Day weekend – Sat – Mon) so plan now. We will be renting bikes on the island this year.

We hope to see you all on the 29<sup>th</sup>. If **you cannot attend**, but you plan on remaining active with Troop 185 send the SPLs an email at [spl@troop185wellesley.org](mailto:spl@troop185wellesley.org). If you are no longer interested in what the Troop is doing please email me ([john.fortini@Scouting.org](mailto:john.fortini@Scouting.org)) and we will stop sending you information.

Don't forget the permission slip, medical form, your calendar and your checkbook (we will also be taking non-refundable deposits for King Pine Ski Trip (\$75 per person) and Dues for the 2011 - 2012 year - \$50).

See you all on the 29<sup>th</sup> at St. John's.

Yours in Scouting,  
John Fortini  
Scoutmaster

Shari O'Leary  
Committee Chair

Jim Vlachos  
Committee Chair