

# Citizens of Shawtown Camp Workcoeman Midsummer 2021 Newsletter

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### A few words from our Fearless Leader...

Greetings to all as we head toward the middle of an awesome summer at Camp, albeit a modified version of what we have known for over 95 years! I truly believe that Workcoeman will return to all it's glory in 2022, especially with all of us "Shawtowners" pushing both individually AND collectively for that to happen. I'd like to lead the way.

I know that can be so with the support our beloved camp has received from campers and Scouters thus far in 2021.... AND as we witnessed by over 180 supporters who attended the largest Steak and Chicken Dinner, et al ever on June 5th! YES, over 180 NW Corner residents, West Hill Lake residents and even others from all over Connecticut!

The final tally for the June 5th celebration and show of support for Workcoeman is in and I am superpleased to announce that our NET income after the dust settled was slightly over \$5000! WOW............ Just think what the Citizens of Shawtown can do with that to support the maintenance and care of our camp and to assist Ranger Frank as he leads the way for 2021 in his position and many more to come!

THANK YOU to all who helped organize in every way for the Dinner, helped prep and clean the Kitchen and Dining Hall and then COOK the feast, procure items for our HUGE Door Prize portion of the night, set-up the interior and exterior for our guests' visit and so much more! Many guests commented on how happy and pleased they were that Workcoeman lives on and that they will spread the word of our mission on West Hill Lake and pledged support to help us swing the doors wide open again in 2022. It is always dangerous to try to call-out names of those who worked so hard to make it a

## **Upcoming Events and Activities**

2021 Work Days Always the 4th Saturday August 28 September 25 October 23

Retiree Workdays
You don't have to be retired to attend
2nd and 4th Tuesdays of
the month
Contact Ranger Frank if
you'd like to be added to
his list

great night as it never fails that you miss someone. Let's just say the Shawtown gang pulled together in true Scouting fashion as always.

So...... with all that said, a reminder that JULY will be work-day free as we all take time for friends and family, returning to our 4TH SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH workday on August 28.

Lastly, I'd like to ask that you all FIND A FRIEND to bring along to Shawtown workdays or activities because there is so much to do and many hands make light work. Send me the names, phone numbers and email addresses of those that could add alot to our mission. bcornell@campworkcoeman.org and I'll be sure to add them to our regular Newsletter distribution and Keith and I will also personally invite them to join in the fun, whether it be monthly or whenever they can. Increased regular membership will go a long way! Have a great summer.................................. SCOUT-ON!

Brian Cornell, Chairman, Citizens of Shawtown

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#### Rantings from our Ranger...

Would like to thank all of you that attended our annual Shawtown Steak and Chicken Dinner. Thank you to the various committees especially the door prize committee. A huge thanks to Dave and Ann Moskal for their tireless efforts for such a successful raffle.

Please plan on attending any of our upcoming workdays on the 4th Saturday of the month. Lots of projects requiring multiple hands to keep our camp progressing and improving.

Hope to see you at the next workday!!

Ranger Frank Galliher, Camp Workcoeman

#### Donations to our Citizen's Account...

Remember: Donations in any amount can be made to our Citizen's account at the Council office. Please note Account 400 on your check, make it out to CRC, BSA and mail to CRC, BSA, 60 Darlin St, E. Hartford, CT 06108.

#### Camp Director's message...

The 2021 summer camp season is not your normal summer camp season. That said, a series of day programs have been offered despite several council restrictions imposed on the structure of the program, however a great number of Scouts are participating. A surprising number of Scouts from CT Yankee Council, Western Mass. Council, Greater New York Council have participated. This program model has the potential of being very popular to not only Scouts BSA troops but is a popular opportunity to Cub Scout packs and family camping. Hopefully an open-minded evaluation of this year's program will result in building next year's program being even better.

As we look to the fall, we will build on the success we had last year and once again offer a weekend program each month for Scouts BSA troops as well as Cub Scout packs.

Progress on the waterfront pavilion was slowed due to issues with the concrete contractor. His corrections have been made and we are now backfilling the footings. Construction materials will arrive any day now. The goal is to have the construction completed this fall. There will be several projects on a list as well. They include providing assistance to the construction of the waterfront pavilion and construction of a pavilion adjacent to the Boathouse.

As we draw close to the fall, it is quite apparent that our weekend programs will once again be popular. Thanks to all of you who have spent tireless hours assisting with programs, maintenance projects and overall support. You are all the life-blood of Camp Workcoeman.

Best wishes and Scout On! - Lou Seiser, Camp Director



#### SHAWTOWN HATS AND PATCHES ARE STILL AVAILABLE!

Holiday gift-giving idea Shawtown patches are still available for \$5 each and a limited number of Shawtown caps are still in stock for \$12 each. Send an email to Brian at bcornell@campworkcoeman.org with your order and he'll mail the patches and/or caps (no shipping charge) to you ASAP. Payment can be sent to him at 220 Cider Mill Crossing Torrington 06790. Make your checks payable to Brian and he'll be sure they get to the Council office



#### Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

We are looking for a new wave of adult and young adult members from Cub Packs, troops and Venture Crews. Come join in the Shawtown adventure at Camp Workcoeman! Please contact Brian Cornell at bcornell@campworkcoeman.org

