A NOTE FROM OUR DISTRICT CHAIR

GOODBYE SUMMER-

As we say "goodbye" to Summer, Pennsbury Units are remembering their summer camps, trips, and other events. I hope that everyone had a safe, exciting, and enjoyable Summer, and are ready for another productive year of Scouting. Journey to Excellence will be in the forefront of our efforts to provide high-quality scouting experiences to the youth of Pennsbury District. Our units in Bensalem, Bristol, Croydon, and Levittown will be starting out the new scouting year looking for ways to make this another great scouting year.

In July there were several "unofficial" meetings to discuss plans to address the issues of Membership, Marketing, Recruiting, and Training here in Pennsbury District. Volunteers from several units joined the Key 3 to discuss and plan. On August 14, the Ice Cream Social was held at Christ United Methodist Church. The agenda was simple; how can we help one another to conduct successful recruiting events? The turnout was exceptional, with representation from more than half of our Cub Packs.

Leaders were there to model effective Back to School and recruiting events. Volunteers had designed and prepared handouts aimed at conducting successful recruiting campaigns; the turnout, participation, and enthusiasm were strong. (The District Chairman scooped ice cream!) Pennsbury is on the move!

On a final note, Pennsbury's FOS campaign has already exceeded last year's, with several units still reporting. Thank you, thank you, thank you! We'll see you at our first Roundtable of the year on Thursday, September 11, "Patriot Day". Pennsbury is on the move!

James P. Otto

Pennsbury District Chairman