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Hello Volunteers!

Thank you to everyone who made it out to Camp or Zoom for our 2024 Annual Meeting last Sunday. There was great discussion about a variety of items but most specifically the 2024 Maintenance Plan. We will have the minutes for the meeting distributed in the future and another email with some information on other topics but right now I'd like you draw your attention to two main items.

Thank you, Ranger Pat!

At the meeting Ranger Pat announced that he will be leaving the Ranger position and taking a District Executive position in CRC's SouthEast District. He will continue to assist at Camp during transition and Mark Switzer (our Scout Executive) reiterated that we will be filling the position as soon as possible. Please join me in thanking Ranger Pat for his service and wishing him good luck in his new position.

Maintenance Plan

<u>Linked</u> is a copy of the first portion of that plan that specifically covers the objective for the next 6 months prior to the start of Camp that was presented by Ranger Austin and Ranger Pat. For those of you not in the meeting, we discussed that this is the North Star of the Volunteers 2024 year - our main focus will be supporting Ranger Austin and Ranger Pat (and the new Ranger) in executing this plan. Our two main asks will be time and money.

Time

As you can see in some of the project slides, several groups have already volunteered to help lead projects under the guidance of Austin and Pat. If you thinking your group (Pack, Troop, Crew or even civic organization) would like to help with a specific project let me or Jeromy know. Most projects can be completed in a weekend and our team will help make sure supplies and training are available to complete.

In addition, we have a variety of workdays already planned throughout the year. Dates and times are posted on the website and we encourage people to block off time and come up for these. The projects for these workdays will be around those in the plan as well as general maintenance items (brush clearing, campsite prep, etc) that we normally accomplish during the year. You can find them on the Volunteers page: http://www.campmattatuck.org/volunteers.html

Money

As you can see from the presentation, we are aiming to support this current plan with \$20 thousand from the Volunteers. While we have planned on supporting this from our balances and expected normal income during the year, we are putting together a small campaign to raise funds specifically for this. At the meeting we announced that we have a \$5 thousand anonymous match if we can raise the same amount.

If you are planning on giving towards the plan there are two options:

- 1) If giving by check, please write "For Mattatuck Go List" in the memo line of the check and/or provide a short cover note with the donation outlining it to be directed to this project. The mailing address is at the link above as well.
- 2) If you would like to give online, please use the link below. In the "Notes" section please write "For Mattatuck Go List". Link:

https://donations.scouting.org/#/council/066/appeal/3450

To kick off the donations last week I made a donation of \$200 toward the \$5 thousand match, and encourage others if you thinking about donating to the Volunteers this year to earmark it for this project.

Please let me know if you have any questions on this Maintenance Plan and/or the support of the Volunteers. There was great momentum in the meeting last Sunday for it and we'd like to keep that going in the spirit of Scouting!

Yours in Scouting, Pat Sheridan Chair - Mattatuck Volunteers