

2008 Safety Patrol Day At The Circus

AAA Central Penn recently hosted over 500 area Safety Patrollers and advisors at the 2008 Zembo Shrine Circus on March 28, 2008 in downtown Harrisburg.

There was little doubt that it was "Safety Patrol Day" at the circus as patrollers proudly displayed their belts and badges and marched their school banners to cheers from fellow patrollers. Patrollers were treated to great performers, funny clowns and face painting - fun was had by all.



School banners will be judged on creativity and the winning school's Safety Patrol will be treated to a pizza party in May! Who will it be? Whose banner will reign supreme?

**Look at those banners!
Great job patrollers!**



A "Sweet Treat" for School Safety Patrols

Pennsylvania AAA Clubs have collaborated with Hersheypark on a "SWEET TREAT" for area School Safety Patrols.

We are pleased to announce "Safety Patrol Day at Hersheypark" on May 9th, 2008. This makes for a sweet end-of-year treat for your patrollers. This year we have negotiated a

discounted rate plus complimentary chaperone tickets (one for every 10 students) and a Meal Ticket discount.

You should have received a flyer in the mail from Hersheypark to order tickets directly. This special rate is a "One Day Special Only". We are looking for this to become a special annual event.



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Patroller Recognizes Dangerous Practices

This letter was sent to Robert White, Safety Patrol Advisor for Lititz Elementary from an observant parent.

It has come to my attention that Matt Blevins is doing an outstanding job as a crossing guard at Lemon and Spruce! Matt has identified a potentially very serious practice that some of the children were doing on a daily basis (as Mothers looked on from their doorway). It appears that some children were not crossing at the designated cross walks to meet their friends - then crossed back over to the other side. Moms watched from their doorways to make sure they crossed safely, however Matt was persistent that this was not a practice that would keep their children from harm. Despite several warnings from Matt, the daily "illegal" crossing of the street continued to occur.

After phone calls between parents of all the parties involved it was determined that Matt was correct in his safety assessment! All parents agreed to Matt's proactive approach to eliminating a potentially harmful / fatal act... Cross at the designated cross walks... As a Mom, I would have been very appreciative of someone of Matt's caliber and persistence to do the "right thing" regarding my child's safety.... To know he is not willing to compromise a child's safety at any cost is truly amazing, especially at his age!He needs to be recognized in some way to let him know how he may have saved a life..... :-) It's nice knowing there are kids like Matt out there protecting our kids on a daily basis..... Have a great day!



WOW! Great Job Matt!

AAA Central Penn would like to congratulate Matt Blevins on a job well done!

Thanks for making your community safer!



2008 HALL OF FAME CEREMONY

The 2008 Safety Patrol Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony Dinner is set for April 26th, 2008 at The North Museum of Natural History and Science.

The AAA School Safety Patrol program not only instills leadership roles within the school districts but builds the foundation for goods citizens within our communities.

Eight AAA School Safety Patrol Members will be recognized for their outstanding leadership abilities and service to their school community on April 26, 2008.

The honorees and their guests will be allowed to walk through the museum starting at 5:15pm. Dinner will start at 6:15pm with ceremonies to follow.

Folding Your AAA School Safety Safety Patrol™ Belt



STEP 1

Beginning with your patrol belt laying on a flat surface, match the waist portion of the belt together and then the shoulder the portion of together.

STEP 2

Fold under the right side of the waist portion of the belt.



STEP 3

Fold under the left side of the waist portion of the belt.

STEP 4

Fold under the shoulder portion of the belt so it wraps around the waist until folded completely.



STEP 5

Secure with a rubber band.

For additional belts, badges and other AAA Safety Patrol™ materials, please visit AAA.com or contact Dorie Weik at trafficsafety@aaacp.com.



End-of-the-Year Awards – DUE April 17th

Award of Merit certificates should be provided to each AAA School Safety Patrol Member.

Graduating and/or second year patrols should receive an Award of Merit certificate and a silver lapel pin.

Awards will be distributed by May 8th.

To order awards please visit us online at AAA.com – click on Traffic Safety.

- Click on the Safety Patrol Badge
- Click on Supplies
- Print the Order Form
- Fax or Mail Form



Reminder!

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