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Northampton Days Parade

This is officially my first report in the 2014-2015 Scouting Year for Troop 280! I hope all had a wonderful summer, and are enjoying the beginning of a new year so far. I am very excited to write about all of the troop's camping trips, Courts of Honor, and special events once more.

Last Sunday, on the 7th of September, Troop 280 participated in the Northampton Days Parade by joining Saint Bede's parish and all of its organizations in celebrating their 50th Anniversary. Ten or so scouts and adults gathered at Mr. Barlow's house at 11:15 with Troop 280's Cub Scouts as well to walk to Upper Holland Road and Florence Road where the parish was meeting. We got there around 11:30 and met with the parish organizations ranging from little kids to seniors. All were arranging themselves before marching down the road to Richboro Middle School, which held the Northampton Days event. There, they have such things as games, booths, food, music, a petting zoo, and a car show.

At noon, everyone began walking, musical instruments playing, the breeze flowing by, and kids crowded at the curb for candy. Being a short walk, the parade ended at 1:00, where all broke apart to enjoy Northampton Days in the beautiful weather, filled with sun, very little cloud cover, and a chill hinting towards the coming fall. A quick activity, the parade

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served as a fun start to the year through being involved in the community and greeting neighbors all around.