

Adult Leader Meeting

11/18/08

1. Next Monday is PLC. Can meet in the farmhouse, no heat or the fellowship hall. SPL can decide.
2. SWC: one patrol has started meeting. Kenny is back in patrol instead of cook team. Mr. Richstein is part of the cook team. Scott needs to collect a few more \$12 payments. Theme of SWC is Leave a Trace.
3. Popcorn sales: Bring money to treasurer. \$14 left to collect. Total sales are \$15,495. Troop has one caramel corn left for sale. Prizes will be given out at the holiday party. Need nicer prizes to give away, something in good condition scout no longer needs or wants. Troop dues are the same for this year due to popcorn sales.
4. Scout Expo: Everything went well. Mrs. Jaquet said they broke even. The committee will talk about whether there will be one next year.
5. Recruiting: some interest. Developed a relationship with 2-3 packs several times a year. Pack 710 is one of them and 7 scouts of that pack are crossing over. We are definitely getting 3 of those 7. Involve troop guides into a recruiting team. We had 2 visitors last night. There has been a trend over the last year and a half. Parents are checking us out too. We have to be actively pursuing these Cub Scouts. One problem is Fighting Frogs are not ranking up very fast or pursuing Den Chief Training. Vickie says she can't recruit and mentor at the same time. Chuck Oliver is the lead ASM. They have 4 ASMs.
6. Scouting for Food: involves all active scouts. 33 scouts are done. 21 scouts have not handed in cards. We have met 94% of the troop's goal. Mrs. Breagh will send out an email with the scout's names that have finished. Duct Tape and Night Hawks are not doing well. Dragons are doing a patrol activity on Sat.
7. Committee update: We are doing an analysis of equipment needed. Initial purchases will be investments for first time backpackers, stoves, and cast iron casseroles. Also, looking at the action packers. We are getting 2 BP new tents. Timberland tents are better than Kelty. 15 years vs. 5 years. You can always buy parts for Timberland tents.
8. Dues: No increase this year. Troop has opportunities for fundraising, popcorn and pine straw. If scout chooses not to participate, scout may pay more in scout dues. Troop funds one half of Junior Leader Training and assist others that may be in need of scholarships. \$65per scout isn't enough to run this troop. Other troops charge \$95-\$100 for dues. Mrs. Jacquet is working on a budget. We have to be responsible with our money. Committee is working on a plan for how dues will be done for next year.
9. Recharter: We are down to 4 scouts left to recharter. Ivy will be emailing these four. Normally we lose 10-12 scouts. This year, we have one scout not recharting. Retention of scouts is better.
10. PLC: less attendance due to holiday. Mr. Moultrie will be gone. Scott Anderson will be the acting Scoutmaster. Alex will be there, and Jeffrey will be the ASPL. Patrol ASMs need to be there.

11. Bethlehem Walk construction. Mrs. Thorne was upset due to 2 scouts signed up and didn't show up. Mrs. Thorne had talked to the parent prior to the day.
12. Scouting for Food: December 1st is the final deadline.
13. Bethlehem Lock-in: December 6th-7th. Good sign-up. 4 adults so far.
14. Holiday Party: December 8th. Rocky Mount. Band Concert. Many scouts will miss the party.
15. Lost Sea Caving: December 13th-14th. 13 scouts have signed up and one adult. We need more adults. Mr. Moultrie can't help due to Wilderness First Aid that weekend.
16. Merit Badge Clean-up Day: December 20th. We can get rooms downstairs due to other activities that day. We will need to park on the lower level.
17. PLC on December 15th.
18. Adult Leader Meeting on December 16th.
19. Pine straw sales starts on January 5th. 2 troop meeting before Court of Honor.
20. Pensacola Air Museum and Battleship USS Alabama: January 16th-19th.
21. District Banquet: February 6th.
22. Scout Sunday: February 8th. Scout Sabbath is late Feb.
23. Skiing: February 13th-16th. 25 people going.
24. Escalade Lock-in: February 20th-21st.
25. Troop Leader Training: February 28th.
26. Adairsville Shooting; March 1st.
27. Patrol campouts and outings: March 13th-15th and March 16th.