

Notes from Adult Leader Meeting 4/21/09

Roster:

Alex Muzyka

Ivy Moultrie

David Blevins

Diana Yuen

Dawn Anderson

Scott Anderson

Lisa Anderson

Wendy Peavy

Mr. Moultrie welcomed all to the meeting. He announced that the Quality Unit Patches were here. We will receive them officially at the Court of Honor. Scott Voorhees says that we are rechartered.

Lisa Anderson stated that we have no adults for the tubing trip. There was discussion about where to camp. The Squirrel's Nest was suggested and she stated that last year the boys objected to the Squirrel's Nest because there was too much lugging of gear. Mr. Moultrie stated that at this point it was unlikely that we could get reservations, but there is a public campground available near Unicoi. Mr. Murray remarked that the access road is closed (17) and you have to go around the long way. The Duct Tape Patrol is staying at Moccasin Creek State Park. An ASM is needed to go on that trip and someone to plan it. The Unicoi sites are two tents sites, but not necessarily together. There was discussion about a commercial campsite. This would be a dump camping trip. There was discussion about

Smithgall woods, Russell Hwy and 75A. Mr. Moultrie said this was a great place and Mr. Murray said there were biking trails and other things to do there. Ms. Anderson remembered that this campout might have been discussed as a one night campout, which Mr. Moultrie thought he remembered as well.

The next subject was the Mill Springs Lock-in. Mr. Joe Blanco is the adult in charge. Mr. Moultrie shared some background concerning the number of adults needed for the lockin for the benefit of the new scout parents.

First Aid and Aquatics weekend—Mr. Moultrie said that this was going on his list. Ms. Moore said there was no request for staffing for that. Mr. Moultrie said he will let Ms. Anderson know more on that and that the sign up sheet needs to be out at the next meeting. There are 3 first year scouts that are not a part of the Gladiators, but need the first aid merit badge. The troop provides breakfast and lunch that day. The patrols cook dinner Saturday and Sunday breakfast.

The new scouts need patrol patches. The new scouts will hereafter be called Gladiators and they and their parents and leaders had a great weekend at the New Scout Campout.

Ms. Hunt is in charge of summer camp and popcorn sales, which are coming up soon, as well.

O/A—two ordeals are coming up—everyone is signed up.

Monday night, May 4th, is troop and patrol elections. The Gladiators will be excused for a program. These scouts should all be complete on scout rank and a program is needed for them, as they will not be involved in troop and patrol elections at this time. The Lead ASM and Mr. Richstein will be in the room with the rest of the patrols and the rest of the adults will be out. Mr. Moultrie stated that to his knowledge, there is no creation or destruction of any patrols planned. There is currently one ticket for the Senior Patrol Leader and the Assistant, but another ticket would be welcome. These would need NYLT (strongly recommended). Many boys need leadership. This would be the last term for Alex Mattle and Cody Breitreuz if reelected (3rd term). The patrol elections may take the whole meeting time. Mr. Murray said a scout wanted to run for Patrol Leader, but he will be occupied with football for 2 months. Mr. Murray wanted to know if it would be possible for him to serve and Mr. Moultrie said that it would be, if he was committed.

The following week is the Court of Honor and the MC's will be Isaac Yuen and Blake Whitlock. This will be three weeks from last night (April 20th). Mr. Moultrie expressed concern over the communications merit badge, which is required for Eagle Rank and has a hard and fast rule that the scout has to be an MC for a troop campfire or Court of Honor and those opportunities are infrequent and must be planned ahead.

Physicals are required for Summer Camp. The summer camp physical day will again be headed by Michele Parks.

The Court of Honor will be when the Gladiators will receive their red boxes and their red books. All parents are urged to attend and bring an appetizer or a dessert.

The May adult leader meeting will be on the 12th of May.

Memorial Day Flag Placement will be on May 23rd.

June 1st meeting—important summer camp meeting.

June 8th— no meeting at MV—this is troop outing (tour permits may be needed by patrols). Mr. Murray said his patrol outing at Steak and Shake was a hit.

Round Table is June 11th.

Tubing will be June 13th-14th.

The Mill Springs Lockin will be June 19th-20th.

The Aquatics and First Aid Weekend is June 26th-28th.

Summer camp is in July.

The trip to Sliding Rock at Pisgah National Forest is planned for July 31st-August 2nd.

Popcorn Sales begin August 3rd.

The Adult Planning Meeting is August 8th.

CPR will be available if enough people are interested.

Mr. Moultrie said we have been very lucky to have Mr. John England to help us with that in the past and will try to get him to do this again.

Troop Outings will occur on August 10th.

The Planning Campout will be on August 21st-23rd, based on the May elections. The Gladiators will also need to send to scouts to represent their patrol.

Watermania, on August 29th-30th will be held at Allatoona and is a wonderful opportunity to try out aquatics activities, such as sailing and other fun things. A great weekend!

The Family Campout and Court of Honor will be on September 11th-13th, which will include the Great Allatoona Cleanup and subsequent picnic, put on by the Army Corps of Engineers. Camping will be at Red Top Mountain.

Mr. Murray stated that we now have fire buckets!

He also discussed some of the issues he has been having with the Venture Patrol concerning campouts and service. Nick Law and Cody Breitzkreuz will be at Summer Camp. He further remarked that 16-18 year old boys tend to stay in the program because of the Venture concept.

Nighthawks' first Venture outing to be held at Rocktown.

Ms. Moore remarked that the Penguin Patrol reports that the computer that they have built is up and running and they would like to present it at a future date.

Mr. Anderson reports that the Cobra Patrol had a plan and a backup plan for their program. They were going to retire several donated flags. The first night, it rained and they were unable to do it. They were also unable to retire the flags during the make-up meeting because they found that all the wood had been removed and the fire ring cleaned up. They led a tornado drill instead. He also commented that Wesley Carlsen had completed the work for second class rank.

Mr. Blevins said that the Timberwolves have two scouts going to Greenbar.

Mr. Muzyka said that the Fighting Frogs have elected a Patrol Leader and an Assistant, a QuarterMaster, and a Scribe and they are beginning to plan. They have 3 scouts at this point that they consider at risk.

The meeting was dismissed by Mr. Moultrie on time at 8:30 PM.

Ivy Moultrie, Substitute Secretary.