

Parent Meeting

1/7/13

- 1) Thanks to Paul and Marsha Egbert for doing the Newsletter each month. It is very colorful and has good information in it.
- 2) Court of Honor is 2 weeks from now. Jan. 21st. There will be a Friends of Scouting representative here. This is an extra opportunity to make a donation to help our council. Please fill out a pledge card whether you make a donation or not. They have done a lot of work at Bert Adams with some of the money. They now have canvas tents. Beautiful camp.
- 3) Merit Badge Counselors: Ginger Moss got all the merit badge counselors reinstated. There are holes for merit badges that need counselors. If you can help, please sign up.
- 4) Fundraising opportunities: Online sales of popcorn. Pine straw sales: Easy fundraiser. The order form is on the website. Tylee Rogers is the adult in charge. Have customers mail the check to Tylee, and she will contact our pine straw person. Scouts earn \$.50/bale. All of scout's profits go into his scout account. Pine straw sales end at the end of April. This is good quality pine straw. They are doing the camp cards for \$5. The customers get a \$5 coupon for Publix. They will be available at the end of Feb. They sell for \$5 and \$2.50 goes in the scout account.
- 5) District Banquet: Feb. 1st. Adults share a meal and honor scout leaders from our troop and district. Money needs to be turned in by Thursday to Cathy Ritchie. \$20.
- 6) The Family Campout: Money needs to be paid to the troop, \$19/night you camped as soon as possible.
- 7) Sea Base: 2014 calendar. Scouts must be 14 years old or 13 and have finished the eighth grade. At the beginning of the scout meeting, 21 boys raised their hands to say they were interested in the trip. The Lottery opens Tuesday for the high adventure trips. There needs to be more scouts going on the trip than adults. Key West or Bahamas. Scouts will need a passport and airline ticket if we do the Bahamas trip. We will drive if we do the Key West trip. Troup will be asking for significant deposits from parents if scout wants to go. Cost is about \$775-\$800 /person, driving or flying about \$1100-\$1600 range. Scouts have to pass the BSA swim test and can work on their swimming merit badge. Looking at June time frame. Todd Barney is the adult in charge.
- 8) 8 Scout Winter's Campout: Jan. 11th-13th. 9 adults going. 1 patrol and a cook team.
- 9) Winter backpacking: Jan. 18th-19th. 5 scouts and plenty of adults.
- 10) Yorktown trip: Jan.25th-27th.
- 11) Merit Badge Clinic: Feb. 2nd. At church All 3 Citizen merit badges are being offered, Personal Management, Family Life, Oceanography and Bird Study are also being offered. Sign up online. There are scouts coming from South Carolina.
- 12) Cumberland Trip: Feb. 15th-17th. Day hike on Cumberland Island.
- 13) Leadership Training: March 2nd. Intro. To Leadership skills training. Dalton Muzyka, will be leading it along with SPL and ASPL. Training is good for 3 years
- 14) Spring backpacking: March 8th. We need an adult and scout in charge as soon as possible.

- 15) Large Boat sailing: Apr. 4th.
- 16) New Scout Campout: Apr. 26th-28th. SPL and ASPL and Troop Guides. Allatoona.
- 17) National Youth Leadership Training: Last weekend of May and 1st 2 weekends of June.
Scout must be 13 by the end of May. Tuition is \$230. Troop will pay one half of fee if scout meets requirements. Mr. Moultrie will get link posted.
- 18) Scouting for Food: Coming up soon. Goal is 50 cans per scout. Patrol method is a good way to meet your goal. Find a neighborhood and patrol spends 2-2 ½ hours collecting cans. Recognition to first patrol with 100% participation- pizza party.
- 19) Summer Camp: \$290. First payment is due Feb. 1st. Troop needs to know which scouts are going. Parents voted to continue to do 4 t shirts for camp and class B for 5th day and to order the \$8 moisture wicking shirts. Wendy Peavy is working on Summer Camp website. She will send an email when she has it up and running.
- 20) Recharter: We made it on time. We made the National Quality Unit and earned the chicken pin. Troop has to meet 10 out of 14 requirements to earn it. This is a tribute to Scoutmaster, Leadership, parents and scouts.
- 21) Youth Protection Training. All adults working with the scouts have to have.
- 22) Ignorance is No Defense Class is at Johnson Ferry Baptist Church on Mon. Jan. 28th.
Talked about at Roundtable. Tom Morgan.