

Parent Meeting

November 1, 2004

Items covered:

1. Popcorn sales around \$5600. Thanks to all who participated.
2. Re-charter: Troop must register everyone active in Troop by November 22nd. The Troop money must be in by December 1st. John McFarland passed out forms, and parents were encouraged to turn back in as soon as possible with appropriate fees. Scouts-\$65.00; multiple Scouts, each additional- \$55.00; Eagle Scout and Adult: \$10.00 (ASM's and Committee Members.)
3. Scouting For Food: Goal is 100% for all Troop Officers and 85% of all active Scouts to contribute at least 50 cans or packages. School or Church contributions count toward goal. Turn in number of cans to Dr. Dinoff with Scout name, Patrol name, and number of cans to get credit. Be specific as to what you are asking for when collecting and whom it benefits. Mrs. Franz will print a flyer for your Church or Synagogue if you ask her. Make sure you have a container for the members to put their cans in. Troop is giving away a MP3 player and Hawks tickets as incentives. Any adult who could offer a third incentive would be greatly appreciated. This is a very IMPORTANT Service Project.
4. Scout Jamboree: Mr. McFarland has to line trip up in next 2 weeks. It will be the week of July 25th and will be a 5-day trip. There is a 10-hour drive so, we will need lots of adult drivers. There will be one day spent at the Jamboree and the other 2 days, there will be other activities (canoeing, kayaking and hiking). This is 2 weeks after Summer Camp. He is looking at camping facilities now.
5. Seabase: This trip is 2 Scouts short for making this trip possible. Mr. Neas will meet with the Scouts going for another option.
6. There are National and area scholarships for Scouts who might need help paying for these high cost trips. Parents can also add to their Scouts accounts anytime during the year.
7. Troop Elections are this week and Patrol Elections are next week. There are a couple of Patrols that do not have enough active Scouts and may have to combine together.
8. Make sure everyone gets out and votes tomorrow. It is part of being a good citizen.
9. For the Fishing/Shooting weekend (Nov. 8th-10th), They need drivers to get the Scouts up and back. See Sheryl Hughes.

10. November 15th: Troop Outing. There is an outing to the Firehouse on Trickum for those Scouts who want to finish their Fire and Safety Merit Badge. Other outings for that night must be approved.
11. November 20th is popcorn pick-up. Popcorn can also be picked up at the Nov. 22nd meeting. For more info. Contact, Genea McNealey.
12. November 20th is also the Scout Expo. Scouts are encouraged to attend the Expo and check it out. Troop 714 will have a booth next year. This was suggested at the Planning Campout.
13. Troop meetings are the bare minimum for the Patrol activities. Patrols should be meeting separately of Troop meetings to encourage working together and getting to know each other better.
14. November 23rd: Adult Leader Meeting at 7pm.
15. December 4th: Bethlehem Lock-In; 10:00pm-7:00am @ MVMC. We need adults to help. They can split shifts if they want. Pizza and games. Stay up all night. Earn Service hours. Flyer available. For more information, Contact Marsha Egbert.
16. November 26th&-27th is Bethlehem Set-up and December 11th is taking down. Great way to earn service hours.
17. December 6th: Holiday Party @ Christ United Methodist Church, not @ MVMC. 1340 Woodstock Road, Roswell. More details later.
18. December 11th-12th: Raccoon Caving trip. NEED ADULTS TO HELP! No adults signed up so far. Bring oldest clothes and shoes. They will get dirty. Class A uniform to and from.
19. January 7th-9th: Scouter's Winter Campout. Lots of fun for Adults.
20. There have been several requests for other fundraisers. An option is selling hanging baskets when we are selling pine straw, which starts in January. The baskets will sell for about \$12-\$16 and will allow for \$5-\$6 profit for each boy to be put in their account. Parents will have to help deliver the baskets. Pine straw will be delivered like last year. Parents at this meeting approved of this fundraiser. More details to follow.
21. Mrs. Roberts has idea of selling pecans when we sell popcorn next year.
22. January 14th-17th: Okefenokee Canoe Trip. 11 out of 14 boys have paid a deposit of \$30.00. Mr. Moultrie needs to make reservations by next Monday. There will be a stand-by list.
23. Scouts are getting a little slack with their uniforms. There will be a Uniform inspection within the next 2 weeks. Encourage your boys to be fully uniformed.

