



TROOP 714 NEWS



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Boy Scout Troop 714
Mountain View UMC



December Events

Prog: Night Hawks Svc: Cobras

- 5th-6th **Bethlehem Walk Lock-In**
- 7th **Troop Holiday / Rocky Mtn.**
- 10th OA Meeting/Roundtable
- 12th **Merit Badge Clean up day**
- 14th PLC
- 15th Adult Leader & Committee Meeting
- 17th Eagle B-o-R*s
- 19th **Bethlehem Walk Take Down**
- 19th-22nd Okefenokee Canoe Trek

January Events

Prog: Dragons Svc: Night Hawks

- 4th Troop Meeting/Parent Meeting
Pine Straw Sales Kickoff
- 8th-10th **SWC 2010**
- 11th Troop Meeting
- 14th OA Meeting/Roundtable
- 15th-18th Winter Backpacking Trip
- 18th Troop Meeting
Court of Honor
- 19th Adult Leader & Committee Meeting
- 21st Eagle B-o-R*s
- 24th Den Chief Training
- 25th PLC
- 29th-30th **Escalade Lock-In**

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To everyone in the troop, youth & all adults:

Remember that effective Jan. 1, 2010, all the old Class 1, 2, 3 medical forms will be unusable and will be shredded). National BSA has created a new form: Parts A, B, C that EVERYONE must complete in order to participate in any event where a medical form is required.

Parts A & C: everyone needs to do including the release information on Part C and it needs to be notarized.

Part B: everyone who participates in ANY event that is longer than 72 hrs.(like a weekend campout) and this requires an exam by a licensed practitioner e.g. doctor, nurse practitioner.

REMEMBER:

- 2(TWO) notarized copies are needed. Copy the form FIRST then get it notarized. A copy of the notary seal is not legal, EACH form must be notarized.
- The troop has notaries available to you (Mrs. Watkins, Mrs. West and Mrs. Davis).
- These forms are good for only 1(ONE) year.
- If you submitted one of these forms in 2009 (like everyone for summer camp), your form doesn't expire until the date in 2010 that you had your physical exam.
- Blank forms can be found on the troop website (Resources to Scouting Forms to Annual Medical Form)

Please contact Mrs. Roberts if you have ANY questions.

DEN CHIEF NEWS

To any 1st class scout interested in serving a Cub Scout den as a Den Chief: remember the next training is Sunday Jan 24, 2010. Remember this is a great way to earn your leadership & to serve others. The registration flyer is on the troop website.

To ALL current Den Chiefs: please email Mrs. Roberts your current position, the 1st day of service since the end of the 2009 school year.

Also remember in order to get your leadership signed off for advancement; you must have your den leader complete the Den Chief Approval form which is on the troop website (Resources; Scouting Forms; Den Chief Approval Form). You then bring your completed form and your handbook to Mrs. Roberts to get signed off.

Remember, court of honor is right around the corner. Don't delay if you need to get signed off.

Contact Mrs. Roberts if you have questions. mgparoberts@earthlink.net or 770-924-4665.

February Events

Prog: Penguins Svc: Dragons

1st	Troop Meeting/Parent Meeting Order of the Arrow Elections
5th-7th	Battleship USS Alabama Trip
8th	Troop Meeting
11th	OA Meeting/Roundtable
14th	Scout Sunday
15th	Troop Meeting Scouting For Food Kickoff
16th	Adult Leader & Committee Meeting
18th	Eagle B-o-R*s
22nd	PLC
26th-28th	Patrol Campouts

**** SPECIAL THANKS ****

Terri Anne Paguiban for printing our newsletter.

**** REMINDERS ****

- Newspaper Recycling: Bring newspapers to recycling bin in back of MVUMC. Benefits our Troop.
- Ink Cartridges Recycling: Bring in used printer ink or copier toner cartridges to Mr. Morris for recycling. Benefits our Troop.
- Merit Badge Counselors' List in back of Library Box or on Troop's Web site.
- Everyone, including adults, must go through the Quartermasters to check-out or check-in equipment.
- Uniform Closet - Outgrown part of your uniform or need new pieces, see Mrs. Schramm.

This newsletter is published monthly for the members of Troop 714 and covers events planned over the current three month period. The editor apologizes for any omissions or errors. If you have any information for the newsletter, you can either give it to Marsha Egbert or send it to newsletter@troop714.org.

TRAINING NEWS

I would like to thank all those parents who went out of their way to complete the now required Youth Protection Training this year. If we did not have enough adults properly trained in Youth Protection, Weather Hazards, Safety Afloat, Safe Swim Defense, and CPR we would jeopardize the safety of our youth and ourselves.

Please keep yourselves current in all these certifications. All are good for 2 years except for CPR (1yr or 2yrs).

Please email myself Brian Jacquet (training@troop714.org) with dates of any training you complete in the future. If you are current in CPR please email those dates also ASAP. We only show 4 people in the whole Troop as current in CPR. Tour permits require at least 1 person at every BSA outing have CPR. Youth can and should be CPR certified as well.

For those interested, there is a new course called Backcountry Outdoor Leader Skills (BCOLS). This training is advanced outdoor skills for Boy Scout and Venturing leaders (Backpacking emphasis). Location is TBD. If anyone is interested please **Register Online** at www.foothillsbsa.org/content/register-bcols-march-5-7-2010. This Foothills district program is limited to the first 20 participants who must have completed ITOLS. **Registration deadline is December 15, 2009** for the Friday, March 5 - Sunday, March 7 courses.

If your scout has attended NYLT and is interested in being considered for a 2010 AAC NYLT staff position, the online youth application is aacnylt.org/youthapp1.php. Staff interviews will be held Sunday, December 13, 1pm-5pm, at the VSC (1800 Circle 75 Parkway). For more information contact cd@aacnylt.org.

Changes! Changes! Changes!

We now have two adult leaders taking care of the Troop's bank account. They can both be contacted at treasurer@troop714.org.

Diana Yuen will be collecting money and writing the checks for reimbursement. Please help make her job more efficient by using the Reimbursement form found on the website. Also, please try to turn in checks rather than cash.

Noelle Davis will be taking care of the Scout Accounts and the accounting part of our funds.

We will be using new software beginning on January 1st, 2010 to keep track of our financial records. With all activities and trips, we will now need a roster turned in with the money collected. This needs to include amount paid by each individual scout. We will go into more detail at our January Parents Meeting.

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

Ferrell Moultrie

NYLT – Staff Interview Deadline December 13, 2009

National Youth Leadership Training - Staff Interviews The Atlanta Area Council (AAC) Boy Scouts of America (BSA) 2010 National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) staff interview process has started. One way to hone a scout's leadership skills even further is to be selected to serve on a NYLT staff. This year's process begins with a scout completing an online application which is available through the council web site, www.aacnylt.org.

The staff interviews will be conducted at the AAC volunteer service center (VSC) on December 13, 2009 so applications need to be in by **mid-week**. Those filling out the online application will be confirmed for a specific arrival time to help facilitate and minimize the impact for all that may apply.

To serve on this staff does require a significant personal enthusiastic commitment but the service they provide to their fellow scouts will be re-paid many times over during their lifetime. However, not all qualified scouts can be selected as there are only a limited number of spaces available.

If your scout is a NYLT graduate, at least 14 and can really make the required commitment please have them go online and complete the process.



Have a
Happy
and
Safe
Holiday

