

Parent Meeting

4/11/05

Attendees: Maggie Franz, Marsha Egbert, Mary & Dwight Pfau, Lisa Anderson, Pauline Miller, Ray Butler, Kendall Bernard, Mike King, Kay Watkins, Greg Taylor, Tim Morris, Mike Torchia, Todd Trimmer, Darlene Decker, Chuck Cross, Allen Koronkowski, Jim Hutson, Christine Emertson, PT Nielson, Chris Cantu, Joe Como, Dietmar Breitzkreuz, Mark Weaver, Janet Tate, Collen Breaugh, Ivy Moultrie, Gail Luttrell, Dan Friedman and Pamela Roberts.

1. Welcome new parents. Please continue to attend the parent meeting, the first Monday of the month. Introduction of Committee Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Advancement Chair, Records Chair, First Aid Chair, and Newsletter Chair.
2. New parents are encouraged to turn in Data sheets and insurance information ASAP.
3. Chicken Pin was explained to new parents. Chicken pins are to be worn on uniforms. Quality unit patches should be coming in soon. The boys have decided to be a fully uniformed Troop. There will be surprise inspections. The District Unit Commissioner did last inspection. 90% of the boys were uniformed. Do not forget socks and belt are part of the uniform. Mrs. Franz will not do inspections on the new Scouts at present but will do them at a later time. The Scouts do not have to wear their hat. When inspections are done, the Patrol with 100% participation will get a surprise.
4. Summer Camp: Scouts will need more than one Scout shirt for camp, preferably 4 or 5. The t-shirts can be Cub Scout related. They need Class B shirts for camp and Class A for meals and Flag Ceremonies. Bring a hanger to hang up the Scout shirt so it can be aired out. Most everyone has paid and decided on their Merit Badges. Mr. Richstein is the Scoutmaster in Charge for Summer Camp. He will move adults around as he chooses for better Patrol coverage. Class 2 medical forms are needed or you do not go. Class 2 needs to be signed by a MD or Practitioner and are good for 3 years. Class 3 for adults over 40 and are good for one year. The forms are available on the Troop's website.
5. April 30th: Foothills Summer Camp Physicals. Cost \$2 and are offered on a first-come-first-serve basis. **Come Early.** When they stop the line around 11am, they do not take anyone else. If you do not plan to come to this event, make sure you call your Doctor to schedule get an appointment to get these medical forms done. These forms go with your Scout on every trip. BSA has policies to make sure every Scout is safe.
6. New Scout Campout: There will be Scouts, ASM's and Adults on this campout, **NO PARENTS!** There will be no mom and dad, but Mr. _____. The Adult Leaders and Troop Guides try to get the boys used to working in Patrols and getting to know the other boys in their Patrol. They teach them many things, which the parents will also learn. The parents also will be in Patrols. The boys need to pack separately from their parents. Boy Scouts is different from Cub Scouts. The boys can pack their knife, but cannot have it on them until they earn their Totin' Chip. They are to wear Class A when traveling and can change to Class B once they have arrived. They will be walking their equipment to the

campsite. Plan to leave at 5:30pm on Friday from MVUMC. Food will be provided.

7. June 25th-27th: First Aid Campout. Priority for the New Scouts. If your Scout cannot attend, they need to plan on taking First Aid at Summer Camp. Boys will plan meals and cook on this campout. Cost to be determined (around \$7 or 8 excluding food). Scout must have read First Aid Merit Badge book prior to camp. Mrs. Roberts will let Scouts know when the books will be in.
8. Spring Camporee and Order of the Arrow tap-out: Honor Service Organization, peer elected. 25 were eligible. Tap out ceremony is at the campfire. Adults also eligible. 2 adults turned in. If you were one of the Scouts that were on the list, you should seriously consider signing up for the Camporee. Very impressive ceremony whether you are tapped out or not. Spring Camporee should be lots of fun. Mr. Poole is in charge.