

Parent Meeting

May 5, 2008

1. This is Maggie's last parent meeting. Tim Watkins will be taking over Committee Chair. Maggie will still be around and will be doing Unit Commissioner work. Parents keep up to date with the calendar as there is a lot going on in the months to come.
2. There is an emphasis on scout liability and scout insurance, where it starts and stops. Permission slips should be notarized once and in the records. If permission slip is notarized, then the scoutmaster can authorize treatment. Kay Watkins is a Notary. If trip is out of state the permission slip must be notarized. Scout insurance is secondary coverage and takes over after primary coverage is done. For scouts who don't have primary coverage, then the scouting insurance would take over. Any scouting event held that is not on the actual site for the troop meeting place must have a Tour permit. It is needed 2 weeks in advance. Any scouting event where you are following Safe scouting, you are covered going to and from. Information needs to get to the Cub Scout side first so they are aware of the liability. This will be discussed at length at the June Roundtable and questions will be answered. June Roundtable- Kay Watkins, Alice Blanco, Ellen Gros and Maggie Franz will attend.
3. May 10th: Summer Camp Physicals. Plan to get there early to be seen, by 9am. They finish at 12:00. Marietta First Presbyterian Church. Donation- \$3.
4. May 12th: Court of Honor: Look in the newsletter to see what to bring.
5. May 18th: Den Chief Training for anyone who wants to be a Den Chief.
6. May 24th: Flag placement at Marietta Cemetery.
7. May 13th is the adult leader meeting. It is important for the ASMs and Committee members to get together with Ferrell and discuss what is coming up and how the troop is doing. Parents are always welcome.
8. June 2nd: Parents meeting will be about summer camp. This will be very informative for scouts and their parents.
9. June 9th: Patrol outings. ASMs will fill out Tour Permit.
10. June 20th-22nd: First Aid and Aquatics MB weekend.
11. June 27th-28th: Mill Springs Lock-In. Boys love this lock-in. Lot of video games all night. Astronomy Club sometimes comes.
12. July 7th: No troop meeting due to summer camp.
13. Scott Anderson will be acting Scoutmaster while Ferrell is gone.
14. August 9th: Adult Planning Meeting. 8:30-12:00. All leaders, committee members and any interested parents needs to attend. We pick apart the troop and put it back together. We review last year's goals and set new goals.
15. August 15th-17th: Planning Campout. SPL, ASPL, PL, APL, and 2 Troop Guides go and plan next year's activities and goals.
16. September 8th: Parent's Meeting. This is where we as parents approve or disapprove the calendar for next year. Very important meeting.
17. Summer lunch program: Volunteer. M-F 9:00-11:00-11:30, any time. You can bring in supplies, help make lunches, and help deliver lunches, etc. We start the first Monday in June. If you have any books to donate, that would be appreciated. Give A Kid A Chance: July 19th at the Hands on Church near BJs. 8:30-3:30. They will be giving out new or used clothing, school supplies to kids in the community. They will be offering haircuts to the kids. Contact Cindy Thorne for more information.
18. Jacqui Hunt is the Popcorn Chair for next year. If you get any incentives or discount coupons that can be given to the boys for selling popcorn, please do so.
19. Tim Watkins: As scout gets older, parents tend to back out. Troop 714 has done a lot for the scouts and their parents so parents lend a hand when you can. ASMs are busy with your boys. Tim says he will build on what Maggie has started, but will need help from the committee members and parents. He uses email frequently. You can reach him at tim.watkins@hp.com if you are in a hurry or twkwjw@bellsouth.net.

When you have to leave a position, train someone to fill that position. He wants to meet with the committee position members soon.