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Boy Scout Troop 714 Mountain View UMC (Foothills District, Atlanta Area Council)

January Events

Prog: Gladiators Svc: Thrasher

7th	Troop Meeting/Parent Meeting
	Pine Straw Sales Kickoff
10th	Roundtable Meeting
11th-13th	SWC
14th	Troop Meeting
	Be'hem Walk Cleanup
17th	Eagle B-o-R's
18th-20th	Winter Backpacking Trip
21st	Troop Meeting/Parent Meeting
	Court of Honor
22nd	Adult Leader & Committee Meeting
25th-27th	Yorktown/Fort Sumter Trip
28th	PLC

February Events

Prog: Blackhawks Svc: Gladiators

2nd	Merit Badge Clinic - MVUMC
4th	Troop Meeting/Parent Meeting
	Order of the Arrow Elect.
7th	Roundtable Meeting
8th	Scout Shabbat
10th	Scout Sunday
11th	Troop Meeting
14th	Roundtable Meeting
15th-17th	Cumberland IS Backpacking
18th	Troop Meeting
	Scouting for Food Kickoff
19th	Adult Leader & Committee Meeting
21st	Eagle B-o-R
25th	PLC

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JANUARY 21st

Everyone please plan to attend Troop 714's Court of Honor on Monday January 21st at MVUMC in the sanctuary. It will start the same time as a normal troop meeting with a reception to follow, everyone is welcome!

Scouts & Families – Bring food to share afterwards!

If your last name starts with...

A-M: Bring an Appetizer

N-Z: Bring a Dessert

This a special occasion to recognize our Scouts for their advancement efforts!

Friends of Scouting

Allatoona Aquatics Base... Woodruff Scout Reservation... Bert Adams Scout Reservation... Camporall... Summer Camp... All of these places and events are supported in part by your contributions to the Annual Friends of Scouting



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Campaign. Every family is encouraged to participate- If you do not wish or cannot make a monetary donation please at least fill out and return the pledge card - that lets Council know that we communicated with you. It will not make you get more requests for donations!

Our annual FOS campaign will kick off on January 21 at our Court of Honor. Every family who returns their pledge card by that Monday night will get a really cool patch! And we have the "singing scoutmaster" coming again this year to talk to us about FOS and the importance of our support.

If you have any questions, please contact our Committee Chair, Cathy Ritchie, at committee@troop714.org.



T714 will be going to Woodruff for summer camp July 7th-13th. There are multiple programs available from the Mountain Man for our 1st year scouts, Ultimate Zone and Whitewater Challenge for older scouts and Merit Badges for all. The base cost of camp for scouts is **\$290** which includes camping, meals, merit badge/activity instruction and one off-site activity - whitewater rafting or horseback riding. Woodruff has some new activities for 2013 including a bouldering wall, field archery, slack-lining, theater under the stars and paddle boarding.

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<u>March Events</u>

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2nd	Secuting for Food Pag
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	Distribution Day
4th	Troop Meeting/Parent Meeting
7th	Roundtable Meeting
8th-10th	Spring Backpacking Trip
9th	Scouting for Food Bag
	Collection Day
11th	Troop Meeting
14th	Roundtable Meeting
18th	Troop Meeting
	Scouting for Food Final
	Turn-in
19th	Adult Leader & Committee Meeting
21st	Eagle B-o-R
22nd-24th	Patrol Campouts
25th	PLC

**** SPECIAL THANKS ****

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**** REMINDERS ****

No longer recycling Newspapers.

- 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 checkin equipment.
- Uniform Closet Outgrown part of your uniform or need new pieces, see Belinda Ayewoh.

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.

Troop 714 MVUMC

The payment timeline is:

\$75 due by January 21st

\$75 due February 18th

\$75 due March 18th

Remainder due in May.

Council offers a limited number of camperships each year. Please see our Committee Chair, Cathy Ritchie, as soon as possible if financial assistance is needed for your scout to attend camp.

NOTE: New medical forms are needed for summer camp including the form to be completed by a doctor. Schedule physicals now!

We need to know this month which scouts are going to camp. Go to our troop's summer camp site that can be accessed via our troop sitewww.troop714.org.

Complete the scout registration located on the left column.

Contact Wendy Peavy with any summer camp questions.

MERIT BADGE (LINIC

Troop 714 will be hosting a Merit Badge Clinic on February 2nd, 2013 at Mountain View United Methodist Church (MVUMC). This clinic will offer 10 Merit Badges- 6 are Eagle required. Sign-up will be reserved for Troop 714 until December 31st. After December 31st registration will be open up to all scouts. Please see flyer on website for more information

DATES/TIMES:

Saturday, February 2nd, at MVUMC at 8:30 a.m. Sign-in will start at 8:30 a.m., clinics commence at 9:00 a.m., and anticipated closing will be at 1:30 p.m.

MERIT BADGES OFFERED:

Personal Fitness, Citizenship in the World, Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the Nation, Personal Management, Family Life, Dentistry, Oceanography, Drafting, Bird Study

Philmont 2013

Breathtaking views... Panoramic Vistas.... more stars than you've ever seen.... Our Philmont crew is getting organized and getting ready to head for some of the most beautiful sights in the US! We still have room for a few more lucky scouts/ and or 1 adult. Dates are June 11-24, 2013. We need to hear from you **NOW** that you want to join us. This is a Great Scouting opportunity- Make 2013 the year YOU experience it! Contact Cathy Ritchie @ committee@troop714.org to join up!

Pinhoti Backpacking trip:

This past month a group of scouts went backpacking on the Pinhoti trail in the Talladega National Forest, and had a terrific time. On the Friday night before the hike the scouts camped at a dump camp. That next morning after taking down their tents and eating breakfast, they split into two groups and went their separate ways to begin their hike to meet again on Sunday. Both groups either hiked most or all of the day stopping on their way to eat lunch. Once they arrived at their final destination they set up their tents and had dinner. They next morning the scouts woke up well rested and ready for a short hike. Both groups arrived about the same time and ready to eat at Hardees. Afterword with a full stomach, the scouts were ready for an hour and a half nap back to Atlanta. In conclusion, the scouts who attended this backpacking trip had a great time. I hope you can join us next time.

Bethlehem Walk lock-in:

The Bethlehem Walk lock-in was a fun and exciting activity. There were almost 30 scouts playing games on their computers or gaming systems. Some scouts had a screen or projector. Even the adults played video games.

The scouts did a terrific job patrolling the city! Nobody found any zombies eating bread at the bakery. Get it, NOBODY! The animals were nice and cozy; they didn't stir much while we were on patrol. Amazingly, the donkey stayed up the whole night like we did (I think he wanted to get fed).

The weather outside wasn't freezing cold in the early morning. We were able to go outside and play games while an adult watched and the older scouts supervised. Sadly, the fun and games ended when the sun rose (we all disintegrated because we were really vampires scouts!). The end.