

# Troop 219 Informational Handout

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## • Orienteering Day

Depending upon the registrations for this activity it may well be canceled. Seven Lakes State Park allows hunting in a large portion of the park and firearms deer season begins on Thursday, November 15, 2007. A new location has not been determined at this time. If registrations prove that there is enough interest then you will be called as soon as the details are worked out. Due to this last minute change of plans we will meet at the church at 9:00 A.M. instead of at Fenton Collision as originally announced. Dress for the weather and unless rain or WET snow is forecast for the day we will conduct this activity. Sorry about the confusion but like the song says----"That's Life".

## • Star Seminar

If you are a Star or Life Scout and you have not yet attended a Star Seminar then your next opportunity is this Thursday, January 24, 2008. You must call the Council Service Center, 235-2531, to make a reservation and to find out exactly where it will be held at and when it begin. A parent/guardian should attend with you and any leader may also attend with a Scout and the Scouts parent/guardian. There is a flyer on the bulletin board with this information also.

The Star Seminar attendance is required of any Life Scout before he may begin his Eagle Scout Leadership Service Project. You will get the required paperwork and some ideas on what is and what is not a project idea.

There was some confusion with the seminar in November and two Scouts called in to make reservations and were told the date was Monday, November 5, 2007. At least one of them then made the trip, with a parent, to Camp Holaka in Lapeer only to find NO ONE there. Our Council Executive is aware of the situation and has already dealt with the issue to make sure that it does not happen again and I believe he has talked with at least one of the parents and apologized.

## • New Horizons District Swim Program

We have, at this time, two Scouts working on the Swimming Merit Badge, Thomas Pilarski and Justin Morrow. Christopher Koenigsknecht has pretty well wrapped up Swimming Merit Badge and has started Lifesaving Merit Badge. It is not too late to start Swimming Merit Badge but it is too late to start Lifesaving Merit Badge. If you need help with Second Class and First Class Scout swimming skills I will be at the December and January sessions and will work with you between 7 and 8 P.M. This program is held at the Grand Blanc West Campus High School Pool. Swimming merit badge runs from 8-10 P.M. and usually requires attendance at at least 2 sessions. Lifesaving Merit Badge runs from 7-10 P.M. and you will have to attend all three sessions to even have a chance at completing all of the requirements. I will be in attendance at the remaining two sessions, Friday, December 14, 2007 and Friday, January 11, 2008. If a Scout needs a ride to and from or to or from this activity please contact me.

There is a one time fee of \$50.00 which the troop has already paid. Hopefully enough Scouts participate to make this a worthwhile investment.

## • Troop Committee Meeting

The next Troop Committee Meeting will be held this Wednesday, November 14, 2007. Parents/guardians are welcome to attend the committee meetings. They are held at the First Presbyterian Church and start at 7:00 P.M. They are held upstairs in the Christian Education wing and usually run between 1 and 1 ½ hours.

## • First Presbyterian Church American Red Cross Blood Drive

The church will be holding it's second Blood Drive for 2007 for the American Red Cross. They have asked for our help in unloading the Red Cross Van and setting up the areas in the Social Room at 7:30 A.M. on Saturday, December 1, 2007. This will require 3-4 Scouts and usually takes between 60 and 90 minutes including posting flyers in some of the local businesses. Another 3-4 Scouts will be required at approximately 2:30 P.M. to help take down and help pack the equipment and then to reload the van. Please sign up at Mr. Miller's table and include your contact number and/or email address.

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