

Troop 219 Informational Mailing

• Summer Camp Wrap-up and Other Stuff

This mailing is to summarize Summer Camp 2008 and to preview some of the 2008-2009 Scout Year upcoming events and activities.

We had 26 Scouts and 3 adults register for summer camp for a full week, Mr. Gorelick, myself and Mr. Pennington, with several adults staying for one (Mr. Adams) or two nights (Mr. Rybar) at the beginning of the week and two adults come up near the end of the week for either two (Mr. Dagenais) or three nights (Mr. Pilarski). Mr. Hommer returned on Friday afternoon to tow the BIG trailer home while Mr. Gorelick brought the Bike/Equipment trailer home and Mr. Trecha came in Friday afternoon to help transport Scouts back home. Dr. Waters also come in on Friday to be available for any last minute transportation needs, if necessary, and to help with getting us ready for check out on Saturday morning. Mr. Rybar towed the Bike/Equipment trailer to camp and Mrs. Wisniewski and Mr. McDonald also help transport Scouts to camp. The Scouts appeared to have had an enjoyable week at camp.

We turned in advancement paperwork for 99 merit badges (one was turned in to me by a Scout who did not attend Summer Camp with us) and 13 rank advancements. We also have 14 partially completed merit badges. A partial completion simply means that one or more requirements were not completed. A Scout need only contact a merit badge counselor in his home council to complete the requirement(s) remaining and will not have to redo those which were signed off at summer camp.

When we arrived back at the Fenton Collision parking lot on Saturday we distributed those patches and badges earned as listed below. If you received a badge or patch in error see Mr. Cox or Mr. Hussar at our first Troop meeting or call Mr. Hussar before meetings start again in September. If you did not receive a badge or patch which you earned please call Mr. Hussar whenever you can catch me.

The following is a summary of Merit Badges and Scout ranks earned this summer:

Scout Name	New Rank Earned	Merit Badges Earned
David Adams		Personal Management
Jordan Bond	Second Class Scout	Citizenship in the Nation, Fingerprinting and Leatherwork
Jordan Dagenais	Life Scout	Camping, Chemistry Citizenship in the World and Lifesaving
Corey Duey		Emergency Preparedness, Environmental Science, Fingerprinting, Metalwork and Small Boat Sailing
Adam Egelston	Life Scout	Citizenship in the Nation, Citizenship in the World, Communications, Environmental Science, Fingerprinting, Personal Fitness, Rifle Shooting and Shotgun Shooting
Ethan Fegan		Archery, Space Exploration and Wood Carving
Nicholas Gorelick	Second Class Scout	Citizenship in the Nation, Fingerprinting and Leatherwork

Scout Name	New Rank Earned	Merit Badges Earned
Ryan Gorelick	Star Scout	Citizenship in the World, Environmental Science, Fingerprinting and Rifle Shooting and Photography
Chandler Hanson		Cinematography and Weather
Chase Hanson		Chemistry, Citizenship in the World and Personal Fitness Aid
Kyle Hanson		Chemistry Low and High C.O.P.E. Courses
Matthew Hommer	Life Scout	Chemistry, Citizenship in the World, Lifesaving and Personal Fitness
Michael King		Cinematography and Weather Photography
Christopher Koenigskech	Star Scout	Art, Camping, Citizenship in the Nation, Space Exploration and Wilderness Survival
Victor Major	Second Class Scout	Citizenship in the Nation and Leatherwork
Maxwell McDonald	Star Scout	Citizenship in the Nation, Citizenship in the World, Space Exploration and Wilderness Survival
Justin Morrow		Citizenship in the World, Fingerprinting, Metalwork and Pioneering
Travis Nolkemper	Star Scout	Art, Camping, Citizenship in the World and Personal Fitness
Everett Owen	Star Scout	Basketry, Citizenship in the World and Rifle Shooting
Thomas Pilarski		Art, Citizenship in the World, Fingerprinting, Metalwork and Pioneering
Matthew Rybar		Cinematography and Metalwork
Jacob Seavey		Chemistry and Citizenship in the World
Derek Trecha		Climbing, Environmental Science, Nature, Swimming and Wilderness Survival
Andrew Weston		Cinematography and Soil and Water Conservation World Conservation Award
Alec Wilhoite	Star Scout	Archery, Citizenship in the Nation, Space Exploration and Wilderness Survival
Michael Wisniewski	Star Scout	Citizenship in the Nation, Space Exploration and Wilderness Survival

David Congdon attended the Trail-to-Eagle camp hosted by the Detroit Area Council and earned Environmental Science, Family Life, Law, Music, Safety, Soil and Water Conservation, Sports and Veterinary Medicine Merit Badges and completed the requirements for the World Conservation Award.

The following Scouts have met with me to complete merit badges and, in some – cases, to finalize their Boards of Review:

Ryan Gorelick-Personal Fitness Merit Badge;

Christopher Koenigsknecht-Camping Merit Badge and Star Scout Rank;

Max McDonald-Camping Merit Badge;

Jacob Seavey-Personal Fitness Merit Badge and Star Scout Board of Review;

The Scouts for whom I have partial completions on Merit Badges are:

Jordan Dagenais-Athletics and Personal Fitness

Ethan Fegan-Environmental Science

Ryan Gorelick-Shotgun Shooting

Chase Hanson-Athletics

Matt Hommer-Athletics

Everett Owen-Personal Fitness and Shotgun Shooting

Jacob Seavey-Athletics

Alec Wilhoite-Environmental Science

Michael Wisniewski-Environment Science

Our four new Scouts who attended summer camp worked with Mr. Adams, Mr. Pennington and Mr. Rybar to stay somewhat focused on the White Pine program and the merit badges they had signed up for. They all completed Second Class Scout Rank and have a number of items checked off towards First Class Scout. I will update their Boy Scout Handbooks so that they know where they are and also will update the Advancement Chart on the wall at the church.

● **Missing Personal Items**

The trailers were pretty much cleaned out upon our return from Summer Camp. We did not end up with near as much personal gear as in some previous years. Anything we have found will all be available at the picnic, and again at the first Scout meeting of the 2007-2008 Scout Year or you may call me at home to see if I have something of yours. If, while unpacking, you discovered something which does not belong to you or that you are missing something please see us at either of the above mentioned events.

● **Health Forms**

Health Forms were not returned to us. The Health Form for next year will have some minor changes and a page will be added which will be returned to us at the end of our week at camp. Hopefully you made a copy of Page 3 (the physical exam signed by your physician) or made a copy of whatever other form you used as your physical. **NEW HEALTH FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR EACH FAMILY BY APRIL 2009 SO THAT YOU MAY COMPLETE THEM FOR SUMMER CAMP 2009 OR SCHEDULE AN DOCTOR'S APPOINTMENT IF YOUR PHYSICAL FORM WILL BE OUT OF DATE. FORMS MUST BE DATED ON OR AFTER JULY 11, 2006 TO BE GOOD.** IF YOU ARE PARTICIPATING IN C.O.P.E OR ANOTHER HIGH ADVENTURE PROGRAM THEN FORMS MUST BE NO MORE THAN ONE YEAR OLD.

● **Patrol Leader Council Meeting**

There will be a Patrol Leaders Council meeting held on Monday, August 11, 2008. It will be held at our regular meeting place and will start at 6:00 P.M. A preliminary calendar was worked up in June but we now need to sit down and review that list of activities and to begin filling it out with additional needed information. The current Senior Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader(s), Patrol Leaders, Assistant Patrol Leaders and Troop Scribes will be in attendance. Bring ideas and/or suggestions for events you or your patrol might like to see on the calendar.

- **Troop Committee Dinner and Meeting**

There will be a Troop Committee Dinner and Meeting on Wednesday, August 20, 2008. Bring ONLY a folding chair, your appetite, and your eagerness to improve Troop 219.

Details on the time and location will be mailed to you in the very near future. **All Parents of Troop 219 Scouts, and all members of the Troop Committee and their spouses are invited.**

- **Family Picnic**

We have reserved the pavilion at Bush Park, behind St. John School for Monday, August 25, 2008. This will be a potluck with families bringing whatever their specialty is. The troop will provide hot dogs and sloppy joes or hamburgers with buns and fixings and a beverage but each family is on their own for plates, bowls, cups, silverware and napkins. This will start at 6:00 P.M. and end at 9:00 P.M. There is a volleyball court set up and basketball hoops are not far away BUT the balls for soccer, volleyball and basketball will have to be provided by the Scouts.

- **New Scout Year**

Our first meeting for the 2008-2009 Scout year will be Monday, September 8, 2008. Welcome Back !!! The meeting time will be from 7:00 - 8:30 P.M.

If you have been inactive but were considering coming back into the program this is the beginning of the new Scout year and would be an excellent time to start attending meetings again.

- **Order of the Arrow Fall Conclave**

The Order of the Arrow Fall Conclave will be held at Camp Holaka in Lapeer beginning on Friday evening, September 19 and ending at about noon on Sunday, September 21, 2008. If you were elected into the OA in 2008 this is your last opportunity to go through the ordeal to seal your membership, otherwise you will have to be nominated and elected again to be eligible in 2009. **The newly elected CUWE 218 Lodge Chief, our very own Matt Rybar, will assume his duties during the business meeting Sunday morning.**

- **Junior Leader Elections**

On September 15 we will nominate candidates for Senior Patrol Leader and will have elections on September 22 for a new SPL and new Patrol Leaders. The ASPL and APL's are selected by the new SPL and PL's. JASM, Scribe, Historian and all other leadership positions are by appointment and must be approved by the Scoutmaster.

- **Skill-O-Rama, Saturday, September 27th, 2007**

Additional information about the Skill-O-Rama' to be held at Silver Lake during our first Scout meeting of the new Scout year. Scouts may come out on Friday night, September 26, 2008 at 6 P.M. to camp both Friday and Saturday nights and be picked up at 10:00 A.M. on Sunday, September 28, 2008. Webelos and a parent/guardian will be invited to spend Saturday night with a Troop. I have included a Permission Slip and Health Form with this handout. The completed Permission Slip Health Form on Slip and your \$20.00 payment may be returned at our Scout meeting on September 8 or September 15, 2008. If you will only be coming out for the day on Saturday, please see Mr. Hussar for a different Permission Slip and Health Form on Sept. 8 and return this on Sept. 15, 2008. The fee for Saturday only, including a patch and lunch, will be \$8.00 / person.

- **Scoutmaster Junior Leader Training**

If you are elected or selected for a leadership position you will be expected to attend the Scoutmaster Junior Leader Training program to be held on Saturday, October 4, 2008. If you will be unable to attend that training then you might take that into consideration when we are holding elections. FEW, if any, exceptions will be made for this training session.

- **Dropping Out or Transferring**

Each year we lose a few Scouts for various reasons. If you will not be returning for the new Scout year, or if you have transferred to another Scout Troop, please call Mr. Hussar 810-629-1172 or Mr. Cox 810-629-6201 and let them know. Before just dropping out of Scouting perhaps you should try another Boy Scout Troop. We are all Scouts but Troop have different ideas for Troop program and meetings. It would be nice if you could tell us why you are not returning but it is not necessary that you do so. If you have dropped out and would like to turn in your uniform you may stop in at any Scout meeting and see either Mr. Cox or Mr. Hussar to do so or call either of them.

- **2007-2008 Scout Year Calendar**

The PRELIMINARY Calendar for the new Scout year has been posted on the Troop Website and a finalized version might be available at the picnic and will be online as soon as it has been finalized, possibly by Thursday, August 21, 2008.

I look forward to our new Scout year with anticipation and the program which has been put together as well as activities and opportunities which might come along BUT I also look forward to it with some trepidation and need to say that additional help is needed from the parents of our Scouts at both weekly meetings and at activities.

Thanks to all for the 2007-2008 Scout Year,

Michael L. Hussar, Scoutmaster
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Troop 219 Skill-O-Rama and Campout
Friday, September 26 through Sunday, September 28, 2008
(Silver Lake Park, Fenton, Michigan)

EQUIPMENT LIST

SUGGESTIONS ONLY=check your Boy Scout Handbook for more information.

Bring outer wear and clothing appropriate for the weather. This will be a tent campout - the Troop will provide the tents.

- Official Scout Uniform
- Personal First Aid Kit-see 2nd Class Requirement for first aid
- Poncho / Rain gear
- 1 Complete Change of Clothing
- Boy Scout Handbook
- Field Activity Uniform-T-SHIRT AND HAT-weather permitting
- Pajamas or something to change into for bed
- Sleeping Bag and 1 blanket or 2-3 blankets
- Ground Cloth • Ground Pad • Pillow
- Flashlight-extra batteries
- Insect repellent-pump or lotion-**non aerosol**
- Toilet Articles-soap, towel, washcloth, comb, toothbrush and toothpaste and whatever else you might need.
- Canteen or water bottle with holder
- Scout Knife-if you have your Totin'Chip Card,
- Compass
- Personal eating utensils (knife, fork, spoon, insulated cup or mug, plate, bowl)

•• NO ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT OR GAMES

Troop 219 Skill-O-Rama and Campout
September 26-September 28, 2008
PERMISSION SLIP & HEALTH FORM
(RETURN-WITH \$20.00 PAYMENT AT SEPT. 15th SCOUT MEETING)

REGISTRATION: Adult or Scout's Name _____

Method of Payment: Individual's Account _____ OR

Check Amount and Number _____ OR

Cash _____

_____ (name) has my permission to attend the Troop 219 Skill-O-Rama and Campout from 6:00 P.M. Friday, September 26 through 10:00 A.M. Sunday, September 28, 2007 at Silver Lake Park, Fenton, Michigan. Transportation will be arranged for by each Scout's parent/guardian since this campout is in the Fenton area. Scouts should be dropped off with their equipment at Silver Lake Park on Jennings Rd. at 6:00 P.M. on Friday and picked up again at 10:00 A.M. on Sunday.

Have dinner prior to arrival Friday evening.

In the event of an emergency, and I cannot be reached by telephone or other reasonable means, I hereby give my permission to the physician selected by the adult leader in charge to hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, order injections, surgery and do whatever appears medically necessary for my child.

Medical Insurance Company: _____

Medical Insurance Numbers: _____

Allergies or other medical information: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date- _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Tel. No: () _____ Alternate Tel. No: () _____

Person to contact in an emergency if parent/guardian cannot be reached:

Name: _____ Relationship to Scout: _____

Telephone Number: () _____