

Troop 219 Informational Handout

(webpage=www.troop-219.org)

- **Email Addresses**

Mr. Hussar, mhussar219@aol.com, is still collecting email addresses. It can be a parents account or a Scouts account. These will be kept confidential and any communications will be sent out BCC so that addresses are not compromised. Some families do not have an Internet account and handouts and telephone calls will continue to be utilized to pass on information to all families. Our goal is to reduce the number of handouts, which must be copied to just families without access, but this is a long-term objective. Informational Handouts will continue to be available for the foreseeable future.

- **Summer Camp (July 8th through July 14th)**

The Summer Camp fee for Scouts is \$175.00 (Camp fee \$155, \$10 equipment rental and \$5.00 for paper service. Adults are \$60 per adult, 1 free per each ten Scouts.

50% is due by April 16, 2001.

Balance of payments is due May 7th.

Camperships may be available and if you need help-see Mr. Witzgall or Mr. Cox.

- **Planet Rock**

The date for the trip to Planet Rock has been rescheduled to Saturday, May 5th. Planet Rock will be closed April 14th. We will be at Planet Rock from 8:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. The cost is \$28.00 for up to 15 participants. Over 15 participants and the cost is reduced to \$24.00 per participant. If a Scout or Scouts would like to work on Climbing Merit Badge this is an ideal opportunity. A merit badge counselor must be contacted several weeks before this activity if you wish to work on the Climbing Merit Badge.

- **Hike-a-Thon and Campout**

The annual Council Hike-a-Thon will be held on Saturday, April 28, 2001 at Everett E. Cummings Center (Genesee County Fairgrounds) in Mt. Morris, Michigan. A package will be available for each Scout after March 5, 2001. Blue Heron District will be hosting a camporee in conjunction with the Hike-a-Thon, mostly likely at Timberwolf Campgrounds, adjacent to the Cummings Center but final details have yet to be released. Our Troop will be camping in conjunction with the H-A-T. The cost of the hike-a-thon campout was set at the committee meeting on Wednesday, March 6 and includes the requisite \$15.00 pledge to earn a patch plus registration and meals. Scouts are required to pack, and bring, a lunch, with beverage, for the hike on Saturday. The Permission Slip must be turned in by Monday, April 9, 2001. A Pledge Sponsorship Form and Prize and Sponsorship Information Sheet was distributed with Handout No. 20.

- **Dorchester International Brotherhood Camporee (DIBC)**

The dates for the Dorchester International Brotherhood Camporee in London, Ontario, Canada are Friday, May 11th through Sunday, May 13th, 2001.

The D.I.B.C. is an international camporee with numerous activities, similar in nature to a National Jamboree. Scouts will attend activity areas as a Patrol. There are usually between 3,500 and 4,000 participants from Canada and Michigan and from as far away as New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Indiana.

Scouts must have a raised seal Birth Certificate or a valid passport. Adults should also have a valid passport or raised seal Birth Certificate. While a US drivers license is usually all that is required for an adult to reenter the country it would be a good idea to have either a passport or Birth Certificate.

- **Memorial Day Parade**

We will participate in Fenton's annual Memorial Day Parade. This will take place on Monday, May 28, 2001 so mark your calendars and PLAN TO BE THERE.

- **Court of Honor**

The next formal Court of Honor will be held on Monday, April 9, 2001 in the Sanctuary of the First Presbyterian Church of Fenton. Each Scouts family is invited to attend our Courts of Honor. These are held 3-4 times a year and are for formal recognition of accomplishments and advancements for each Scout (and sometimes Scouter) since the last Court of Honor.

Mr. Mike Witzgall
Scoutmaster-Boy Scout Troop 219