

# Troop 219 Informational Handout

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## • Trail's End Popcorn

The following is the remaining schedule for the 2001 Popcorn Sales program:

### Popcorn Pick-up/Payment Schedule/Money Turn-In Dates.

Popcorn may be picked up on Saturday, November 3 and Sunday, November 4, 2001. The pick-up location and specific times will be announced when they become available.

You may turn in your popcorn order money on either of the following two dates but it must all be turned in by Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.

Monday, November 12, 2001 Turn in Popcorn Order money-first date

Monday, November 19, 2001 Turn in Popcorn Order money-final date.

## • October 29, 2001 Troop Meeting

The Troop meeting on Monday, October 29, 2001, will be held at Tomek Eastern Elementary School. As listed on the Troop Calendar this is one of our scheduled gym nights.

**You are to be dropped off and picked up at the school and not at the church.** Uniform is optional at this meeting. The times are the same as a regular Troop Meeting. We start at 7:00 P.M. and end at 8:30 P.M.

## • New Horizons District Merit Badge Swim Program

The New Horizons District will once again offer the merit badge swim program. Scouts will have the opportunity to earn the Swimming or Lifesaving Merit Badge or to work on Second Class and First Class Swim Skills.

Scouts working on the Lifesaving Merit Badge must attend all three of the sessions. It may be possible to attend only two of the three sessions to complete the requirements for the Swimming Merit Badge. The program will be held at the Grand Blanc Middle School. There is a one time \$7.00 fee per unit to cover pool rental and lifeguards. The Troop will pay this fee.

### **Lifesaving Merit Badge-must attend all three sessions**

Friday, November 16, 2001 7:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

Friday, December 14, 2001 7:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

Friday, January 11, 2002 7:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

### **Swimming Merit Badge-MAY only require two of the sessions**

Friday, November 16, 2001 8:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

Friday, December 14, 2001 8:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

Friday, January 11, 2002 8:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

### **Second Class and First Class Instructional Swim**

Any of the three sessions 8:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

Scouts must bring a completed and signed Merit Badge Application Form on their first night of the program and should also have reviewed the requirements and read the pamphlet for the Merit Badge they are attempting to earn.

Each unit must provide two adults in swimwear to supervise. Counselors will be available for the Lifesaving and Swimming Merit Badges but someone may have to be available to work with Scouts trying to complete the Second Class and First Class Swim Skills.

Scouts must read the appropriate requirements and be prepared to work on them whether working towards the swim skills requirements or a Merit Badge.

WEBELOS units provide their own adults plus necessary equipment to conduct Aquanauts Activity Badge.

- **VG's Receipts**

The Troop Committee discussed collecting VG's receipts as a unit fund raiser with the funds to be used **primarily**, but not exclusively for equipment purchases and maintenance. If you shop at VG's and are not already donating your receipts to some other worthy cause, the troop would appreciate your assistance.

- **Den Chiefs**

Again we have received a request for boys to act as Den Chiefs for Pack 286. Den Chiefs are the goodwill ambassadors of our troop and go a long way to help the troop by aiding in the conversion of Webelos into Scouts.

While Den Chief training was held on Saturday, October 13, 2001 at the council office and is a useful tool whether you attended this training or not, if you are interested in becoming a Den Chief, see the Scoutmaster. The position of Den Chief qualifies as a leadership position for Boy Scout rank advancement.

- **"Show and Sell Popcorn Sales**

Sunday, October 28, 2001-First Presbyterian Church-We will have a table set up in the Social Room for a few minutes after the 9:00 A.M. Worship service (approximately 9:40 A.M.) and again after the 10:45 A.M. Worship service (approximately 11:45 A.M.) to sell popcorn. Mr. Hussar will be one of two adults and two to three Scouts are also needed for this sale. **The proceeds will be divided among those who participate.** See the Scoutmaster if you are interested in working this "sale" opportunity.

- **District LOGO Design Contest**

Win a \$100 US Savings Bond and \$25 cash.

Design a logo and shirt for the New Horizons District. Design a logo with the theme "New Horizons" in mind. Express the concept that scouting opens new horizons for participants. Use the logo, perhaps along with BSA, Tall Pine Council, fleur de lis, American flag, etc. to design the front and back of a shirt.

Submit on an UNFOLDED 8½" x 11" white paper for EACH – logo, shirt front and shirt back. See Scoutmaster for more details. The district committee will select the winning logo and design. DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS DECEMBER 31, 2001.

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