

Troop 219 Informational Handout

(www.troop-219.org or www.troop219.org)

● ANNUAL New Horizons District Swim Program

Three sessions begin Friday, November 21, at the pool in **Grand Blanc Middle School**, as follows:

- Friday, November 21, 2003
- Friday, December 12, 2003
- Friday, January 9, 2004.

Boy Scouts can earn 2nd Class and/or 1st Class swim requirements, and/or **Swimming** Merit Badge. Swimming Merit Badge generally requires attendance at any two of these three sessions from 8PM – 10PM. Alternatively, Scouts may earn the **Lifesaving** Merit Badge by attending every one of these three sessions from 7PM – 10PM. For siblings or if you're a den chief for a Webelos den, they may earn the Aquanaut Badge. Webelos Aquanaut Program runs 7PM – 8PM.

IMPORTANT: Scouts must bring a completed and signed merit badge application form with them to the first session they attend. The troop is required to provide two adults at each session (so we need adult volunteers!). Contact Mr. Hussar with further questions or to inquire about assistance with transportation. Troop 219 absorbs the fee so there is no cost to Scouts for this program.

● Electronic Campout – November 21-22-23

We have reserved ½ of the new Camp Holaka dining hall (Nottingham) for this campout. This is a special event where Scouts are permitted to bring electronic toys and games and playing these games is a large part of the weekend program. This year there will be a 2 – 3 hour service project to the camp on Saturday afternoon, you must participate in this service project if you intend to spend the weekend at the campout. The signup form is part of tonight's handout. It must be returned by Monday, November 17th.

Troop 219 and Tall Pine Council assume **NO RESPONSIBILITY OR LIABILITY** for loss, theft or damage to your computer(s) or other electronic games – so if you bring it – it's your responsibility!

● POPCORN PICKUP – POPCORN MONEY

Popcorn pickup is this coming Saturday, November 1, 2003. Mrs. Sarosy will announce the place and times, or you may contact her directly. ALL MONEY FOR POPCORN is due not later than the troop meeting of Monday, November 17th.

● Youth Leadership Elections

Nominations and campaigning for Senior Patrol Leader will be Monday, November 17th. Troop elections are scheduled for the following troop meeting, Monday, November 24th. Following the SPL election and the appointment of an Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, patrols will elect Patrol Leaders to serve for the same period. Also on this date, all Scoutmaster appointed leadership positions expire and will be reviewed and appointments will be made. If you need a leadership position for advancement and do not intend to run for elected office, make sure that I know ASAP. I still want an official troop bugler very much. The desired bugle calls are on our web site. So, unless you are re-elected patrol leader, your leadership position in the troop will either start or change on the 24th.

● Trail to Eagle Camp Applications

I have not yet secured applications for next year's Trail to Eagle Camp. This camp experience fills fast so if you really want to go, download last year's application from our troop web site and send it in with the deposit to secure your place in the course. We can always fix the paperwork later. Trail to Eagle typically fills by year end.

● EAGLE SCOUT Court of Honor

REMINDER: A special Court of Honor for the purpose of presenting the rank of Eagle Scout to Matt Foley will be held on Sunday, November 16, 2003 at 3:00PM at St John's Catholic Church. All Scouts and Scouters in the Troop are invited and expected to attend (in full uniform). Matt has been with our troop continuously since February 1996 and has worked hard over those years to attain this distinguished honor.

- **STAR SEMINAR – November 5th**

Star & Life Rank Scouts: A STAR SEMINAR is scheduled **November 5, 2003** sponsored by the Blue Heron district, to be held somewhere in Lapeer. Attendance at one Star Seminar is required **after** reaching the rank of STAR but **before** a LIFE rank Scout may begin his Eagle Leadership Service Project. You must call the council office (810-235-2531) to tell them you're coming and find out the exact time and location where it's to be held.

- **Service Project – Blood Drive**

The church is sponsoring a blood drive on Saturday, December 6, 2003. They have requested assistance from our troop in handling setup and cleanup. Details and times will be announced next week.

- **OA Chapter Meeting and Adult Roundtable**

Adult Roundtable and Bidaban OA chapter meetings changed their date and location this year. The next meeting of the Bidaban Chapter of the OA is Thursday November 6, 2003 at the Fenton Road Baptist Church. Bidaban Chapter meetings are for OA members only – the troop OA Troop Representative is EXPECTED to attend as part of that leadership position, and all T-219 Arrowmen should plan to attend. This is the same date, place and time as the adult Roundtable meeting so several T-219 adult leaders are usually going (Mr. Zimble Mr. Hussar Mr. Cox, Mr. Witzgall, Dr. Waters and sometimes others too.) – They are usually more than willing to provide you with transportation there and back! – *if* you ask and coordinate your need in advance.

- **Troop Committee Meeting**

The next troop committee meeting is Thursday, November 13, 2003 at 7:00PM at the church. We strongly urge the **parents of ALL SCOUTS in the troop to attend** these meetings. The ongoing success of Troop 219 demands the dedicated involvement of ***many*** adults – especially YOU!

Larry Zimble
Scoutmaster-Boy Scout Troop 219

Troop 219 Electronic Campout

November 21-22-23th, 2003

PERMISSION SLIP & HEALTH FORM

(return with \$20 payment by Monday, November 17, 2003)

REGISTRATION:

Adult or
Scout's Name: _____

Method of Payment:

- Troop Account _____
 Check (# and amt) _____
 Cash _____

_____ has my permission to attend the Troop 219

 (name)

Electronic Campout at Camp Holaka, in Lapeer, MI. I understand that neither Troop 219 nor the Tall Pine Council, BSA is responsible or liable for any loss or damage to any electronic equipment or games that my son brings along on this activity.

Scouts should be dropped off at Kmart at 600PM on Friday, November 21st having already eaten dinner; and picked up at this location at approximately 11:00 AM on Sunday, November 23rd. Adult drivers are needed, and parents may wish to provide their own transportation if their boys are bringing games or computers. Special transportation arrangements will be made to tie in to the district swim program Friday night.

In case of emergency, notify:

Name		Relationship	
Address:			
Primary Phone:	()	Alternate Phone:	()
Physician Name:		Physician Phone:	()
Health Insurance Company:		Policy Number:	

- This scout takes no medications and has no known allergies.
 This scout takes medication or has allergies as follows: *(Attach additional pages if necessary)*

The health information contained herein is correct so far as I know and the person herein described has permission to engage in all prescribed activities, except as noted above. In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give permission to the medical provider selected by a designated representative of Troop 219, Boy Scouts of America to authorize emergency medical or surgical treatment, routine non-surgical medical care, hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, or to order injection(s) for my child. The person herein described is in good health, has all required immunizations current, and I assume the health responsibility for the individual.

Parent/Guardian Signature		Parent/Guardian Signature	
X		X	
Print Name	Date	Print Name	Date

November 2003

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