

# Troop 219 Informational Handout

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## ● UPCOMING EVENTS/ACTIVITIES:

- 04/30 – 05/02                    OA Section C2A Conclave – Camp Miaconda, Toledo OH
- **04/30 – 05/02**                    **First-year campout & Quartermaster Day**
- May 4                                Star Seminar (for Star Rank & above scouts)
- May 7-9                             Dorchester International Brotherhood Camporee
- May 16                             Pancake Breakfast @ St. John Activity Center
- May 21 – 23                        Cuwe Lodge Spring Conclave – Camp Tapico
- May 31                             Memorial Day Parade meet @ 8:30AM (no regular meeting)
- June 11-12-13                    Summer Camp preparation campout and Court of Honor

## ● FIRST YEAR CAMPOUT – QUARTERMASTER DAY

### **FOUR PARENT VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP THIS EVENT TAKE PLACE**

The weekend of April 30 – May 2 has a combined event scheduled; camping at Mr. Hussar's for possibly the very last time. Older Scouts will camp at Mr. Hussar's beginning Friday night – spending Saturday working with troop equipment and assisting with the instruction of First Year Scouts. First year Scouts arrive Saturday at 9AM and work on Tenderfoot skills. There'll be a Saturday night campfire and the combined event will end at 9:30AM on Sunday. A signup form is part of this handout.

**FIRST YEAR SCOUTS** need to review the Tenderfoot and Second Class pages of their Boy Scout Handbook and bring their handbook to the campout.

**ALL SCOUTS** are reminded that there are certain items of clothing and equipment that are ALWAYS brought to any outdoor Scouting event. One of these items is RAIN GEAR (regardless of the weather forecast).

## ● DORCHESTER INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD CAMPOREE (DIBC)

**Deadline to signup is TONIGHT – Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup>.** Final cost is \$35.

With the international geo-political tension continuing, I will again require BOTH an original birth certificate with *raised seal* AND a government issued picture ID (the official MI ID card, **not a school ID**) or, alternatively, a current US Passport for ***every scout and adult*** that attends. It is impossible to predict what the border crossing will be like – last year it was quick and uneventful; and I'm sure that our traveling in official uniform with proper paperwork readily available helped. The scout motto is "be prepared" and there are few places it will make more of a difference.

## ● PACK 158 – CEDAR FAIRS TRIP – MAY 3

Pack 158 has extended an invitation for Scout families from our Troop to accompany them on a trip to Cedar Fair theme park in Aurora, Ohio (Formerly Six Flags). There has been a change in the parks since Cedar Fairs took over April 6 and Sea World will no longer be available to view. The ticket price is still the same for the the water and amusement park, which is \$23 per person per day. We still get the \$8.00 meal deal, and we have a \$30 reduction for hotel accommodations per night. The new price is \$159.00 per night plus tax. This includes the full breakfast buffet, parking pass, round of miniature golf, pool, arcades. Ticket money is due by Monday May 3 if any families are interested. Additional information is available from Mrs Hanson.

## ● FENTON MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup> is Memorial Day and Troop 219 will again participate in the Fenton Memorial Day parade. This year is our turn to perform the flag ceremony at Oakwood Cemetery at the end of the parade. Mr Hussar, Mr Zimmler along with Nick & Garrett Stewart will be participating in the Mackinac Island Scout Service Troop and will not be in town for this event. All troop Scouts that are in town are expected to attend this important annual patriotic event in full Class A uniform. The PLC has a special practice planned TBA.

- **STAR SEMINAR – May 4<sup>th</sup>**

***Star & Life Rank Scouts:*** A STAR SEMINAR is scheduled **May 4, 2004** sponsored by our own New Horizons District in Grand Blanc. 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.

- **SUMMER CAMP PAYMENTS ARE NEARLY DUE**

***Tall Pine Council has raised the price of Summer Camp slightly. The cost for Troop 219 is now \$210 for Scouts and \$80 for adults if paid by Monday, May 10, 2004.***

The price changes to \$240 for Scouts and \$100 for adults if not fully paid by that date. This late charge is imposed by the Council. Our troop fee includes the per-scout equipment costs that are due in addition to camp fees, as well as the cost of the MANDATORY pre-camp campout, scheduled this year for the weekend of June 11-12-13, with a court of honor at camp on the night of June 12<sup>th</sup>.

SEE MR MILLER to arrange to ensure your attendance at Summer Camp at the lower cost.

SEE MR COX OR MR MILLER IMMEDIATELY if you will need troop campership funds to be able to afford the cost of summer camp. Campership funds are available but you need to make a request as early as possible. Any and all campership requests are kept strictly confidential.

Over the weekend of June 11-12-13, 2004 is a pre-summer camp campout at a location to be announced – probably Dr. Waters' property. This campout is designed to provide the specially constructed summer camp patrols to work together before summer camp, and the cost of this campout is included in the total troop summer camp cost. Attendance is mandatory if you're going to summer camp.

There will be a Troop Court of Honor on Saturday night of this campout, for parents and family.

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