

TROOP 219 BULLETIN

January 2006

Upcoming Events:

January 20-22 Klondike Derby

Payment and reservation due 1/09/06. See attached.

February 5 Pancake Breakfast

Scout Sunday 7:30 AM First Presbyterian Church. This is one way we show our appreciation to our Chartering Organization. Details and duties will be discussed at future troop meetings.

February 17-20 Family Outing - Winter Cabin Camping and Polar Bear Campout

We have the troop cabin at Camp Tapico (in Kalkaska) and yes we can stay thru Monday Presidents Day. This is a great opportunity to for parents to spend a weekend at camp with the boys. There are separate accommodations for women (a room within the cabin) and female siblings. Parents will be required to be on the trip if siblings come along. If you have questions about the age appropriateness of siblings or accommodations see the Scoutmaster.

A Polar Bear campout is available on this trip to all scouts age 13 or by permission of the Tour Leader. The Polar Bear will take place from about 10 am Saturday to 10 am Sunday. To participate in the Polar Bear a required training will be held on Saturday January 14.

Details will be in a handout at the troop meeting. We plan to leave Fenton at 4 pm on Friday and eat on the way arriving at Tapico about 8 pm. The cabin has a capacity of 30 people and will be filled on a first come first serve basis.

March 4-5 Blue Springs Caverns

Have a great time exploring and sleeping in a cave in southern Indiana. We will drive down early Saturday and spend the night. Return will be Sunday evening. Details will be available soon.

Calendar - Looking Ahead At Troop Dates

January 11 - Committee Meeting at 7 pm St John's Activity Center. Parents and scouts welcome.

January 16 - PLC meeting at the First Presbyterian Church at 7 pm

February 6 - Summer Camp \$15 deposit due for those planning to attend at Camp Tapico July 9-15

February 8 - Committee Meeting at 7 pm St Johns Activity Center. Parents and scouts welcome.

February 20 – No regular meeting.

February 27 - Quetico Canoe Trip Reservations are due for High Adventure trip into Canadian Wilderness August 4-13. Contact Scoutmaster for more information.

March 11 - Scouting for Food Do a good turn for the hungry of Eastern Michigan. Inventories are low this year and the need is great. Bag distribution meet at 9 am First Presbyterian Church. Scouts and Drivers are needed. Contact Mrs. Cahoon

March 18 - Scouting for Food Food bag pickup Meet at 9 am First Presbyterian Church. Scouts and Drivers are needed. Contact Mrs. Cohoon

April 7-9 – Pioneering Campout

May 5-7 – Dorchester IBC

May 29 – Memorial Day Parade

The dates and details of activities are posted on the web page and will be updated regularly. www.troop219.org

Scoutmaster's Minute

WHAT I EXPECT OF BOY SCOUTS

I EXPECT the Boy Scouts of Troop 219 to have GREAT FUN exploring while living the Scout Oath and Law and being a GREAT example for all. I expect them to be in appropriate Scout Team Uniform for Scout meetings and outings. I expect them to be responsible, respectful good citizens and leaders.

PURPOSE OF SCOUTING

The Purpose of scouting is to help boys become men thru the development of their skill, knowledge and discipline, thus becoming self-reliant. This is accomplished thru the example of leaders and parents and the mentoring of a moral compass revealing the appropriate relationship to God, self, family, school, community, country and the Earth.

WHAT I EXPECT OF PARENTS

I expect parents to help their Scouts attend the meetings and outings appropriately prepared. I expect you to help prepare and attend meetings and outings. I expect you to expect your Scout's progress in ability and leadership in these activities as shown by YOUR example. NOTE: Your involvement is critical to your Scouts' success. Please volunteer to help Troop 219 and Your scout by doing your part. There will be a signup sheet at the next meeting.