

# Troop 219 Informational Handout

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## • Upcoming Due Dates

- **Popcorn Monies:** All Popcorn Sales money should have been turned in last Monday. If you have not done so by now you are asked to contact Mrs. Dagenais about it immediately
- **Christmas At Crossroads Village and Huckleberry Railroad:** We have **canceled** this event due to lack of interest. We needed a minimum of 20 reservations for the group discount pricing and as of the end of the meeting on Monday, November 20, 2006, we only had 13 people signed up.
- **Pistons Basketball Game Fundraiser:** This activity is "A GO." Your reservations forms and full payments were to be turned in on Monday, November 20, 2006. Mr. or Mrs. Hanson were at that meeting for accept the forms as they are in charge of this event. If you have turned in a Reservation Form but not your money you need to do that immediately so that the ticket reservations may be confirmed and the tickets purchased. have been included in at least one handout and several mailings by the Hanson's.
- **Recharter:** It is approaching unit recharter time. Mr. Cox has sent out the paperwork explaining the process and dates. If you have not received a letter please see Mr. Cox, Mr. Hussar or Mr. Miller. Paperwork and recharter fees are due back in to the Troop by December 4, 2006. As stated in the letter, if a family needs assistance with the recharter fees they should see Mr. Miller, our Treasurer, or any adult Leader to discuss your situation.

## • First Presbyterian Church Blood Drive

The church will be conducting an American Red Cross blood drive on Saturday, December 2, 2006. We have been asked to provide 3 or 4 (older/bigger) Scouts at 7:30 A.M. to help unload supplies and equipment the Red Cross van and to set up the Social Room for them and then to have 3 or 4 Scouts come in at 2:15 P.M. to help them dismantle and repack the equipment and reload the van and to reset the tables for the Sunday morning coffee hour. The morning session usually takes 45 minutes to an hour while the afternoon session may take longer as we may have to wait for the last donors to finish the donor process.

If family members, over 17 years of age, wish to donate blood that day they should call to schedule an appointment time.

## • 2006 Fenton JingleFest, Saturday, December 2, 2006 (UNIFORM REQUIRED)

Additional details have become available. We have been asked to help in the late afternoon and evening on December 2, 2006. Mrs. Hanson spoke with K. C. from the community center and they do have some things that the boys can do for Jingle Fest. First is taking the chips off runners after the race. This will take about 4-5 Scouts. Chase, Chandler and Kyle will be covering this but we still need 1-2 more Scouts for this shift. It begins at 5:45 and ends around 7:00. The next shift is for clean up after the parade, probably between 7:15 P.M. and 9:00 P.M. We will be sharing this shift with Scouts from Troop 212 and will need 4-5 Scouts for this shift. The Hanson's will be the adults covering the first shift. Mr. Hussar will be one of the adults covering the second shift. Additional adult help is always welcome.

## • New Horizons District Swim Program

The first session of the New Horizons District Swim Program has taken place. Jordan Dagenais and Alec Wilhoite completed partial Swimming Merit Badges which were started at summer

The remaining sessions dates are Friday, December 15, 2006 and Friday, January 12, 2007.

7:00-10:00 P.M. Lifesaving Merit Badge

8:00-10:00 P.M. Swimming Merit Badge and swim time for Second Class and First Class swim skills

Scouts must bring a completed and Scoutmaster signed Merit Badge Application to their first session.

## • Troop Committee Meeting

The next Troop 219 Committee Meeting will be this Wednesday, December 20, 2006. It will be held at the Fenton First Presbyterian Church and will begin at 7:00 P.M. Parents are invited, and encouraged, to attend the committee meetings. Input and ideas are always welcome. Help is appreciated AND almost always needed.

## • New Horizons District Klondike Derby

The 2007 New Horizons District Klondike Derby will be held on Saturday, January 20, 2007. We will also be conducting a Cabin Campout beginning Friday, January 19 and ending Sunday, January 21,

2007. A permission slip for the Saturday only Klondike Derby as well as the Cabin Campout AND Klondike Derby are included in the handout. Paperwork and payment are due by Monday, December 18, 2006.

The weather may well be COLD! Come prepared to spend the entire day Saturday outdoors in possibly single digit or lower two digit temperatures. That means dressing for the weather – layers, extra socks, warm boots (no sneakers), etc. Review the items below and your Scout handbook and be aware of the techniques and procedures for prevention and first aid for hypothermia and frostbite AND keep an eye out for the other Scouts in your patrol or whom you meet on the trail. You are unlikely to recognize the symptoms on yourself which is why prevention is so important.

We will meet at the ACO Hardware parking lot before 6:00 PM You should have eaten dinner before arriving for the 6:00 P.M. departure.

PARENTS, we'll need some extra drivers for both boys and equipment on this event, please contact the Scoutmaster if you are able to provide transportation either to or from Camp Holaka in Lapeer. Scouts will have to demonstrate that you have adequate clothing or we won't let you attend – this included hats/gloves as well as proper footwear. If you don't wear it, be ready to show where its packed.

SCOUTS ATTENDING KLONDIKE ARE REQUIRED TO BRING THEIR OWN "TIN FOIL DINNER" FOR SATURDAY'S LUNCH. Recipe and directions for a tin foil dinner are included.

## Winter Health Concerns

### Frostbite

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Frostbite is the most common injury resulting from exposure to severe cold. Superficial frostbite is characterized by gray or yellowish patches on affected areas. The skin remains soft and pliable, but becomes red and flaky after thawing. Treat superficial frostbite by taking the victim inside immediately and warming the affected areas with warm, not hot, water.

Deep frostbite usually affects the feet or hands and is characterized by waxy, pale, solid skin, which may turn blue or purple upon thawing. Large blisters may also appear. Treat deep frostbite by moving the victim indoors and seeking medical attention immediately.

### Hypothermia

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Hypothermia occurs when the body's temperature drops below 98.6 degrees Fahrenheit. Symptoms of this condition include uncontrollable shivering, impaired speech and clumsy movements.

Severe hypothermia may produce rigid muscles, dark and puffy skin, irregular heart and respiratory rates, and unconsciousness.

Treat hypothermia by protecting the victim from further heat loss and calling for immediate medical attention. Carefully remove the victim's clothing if it is wet, but avoid rubbing the victim's skin. Give artificial respiration or CPR (if you are trained) as necessary.

### Preventing cold-related illnesses

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Avoid frostbite and hypothermia when you are exposed to cold temperatures by eating a well-balanced diet and drinking warm, non-alcoholic, caffeine-free liquids to maintain fluid levels. Avoid becoming wet, as wet clothing loses 90 percent of its insulating value.

Wear several layers of clothing to insulate your body by trapping warm, dry air inside. Loosely woven cotton and wool clothes best trap air and resist dampness. The head and neck lose heat faster than any other part of the body. Your cheeks, ears and nose are the most prone to frostbite. Wear a hat, scarf and turtleneck sweater to protect these areas.

"The old adage, 'An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure,' really rings true when you're out in the cold weather". "Remember, there's no substitute for common sense when it comes to making safety a part of everything we do. Dress appropriately, maintain a good diet and stay hydrated. It may take a little extra time to bundle up, but it's important to do the right things to stay safe and healthy during the cold winter months."

## **EQUIPMENT LIST**

**SUGGESTIONS ONLY=check your Boy Scout Handbook for more information.**

Bring outer wear and clothing appropriate for the weather. This will be a cabin campout -but the Klondike Derby will be outdoors-all day Saturday.

- Official Scout Uniform—optional not required
  - Personal First Aid Kit-see 2nd Class Requirement for first aid
  - Poncho / Rain gear • 1 Complete Change of Clothing
  - Boy Scout Handbook • Flashlight-extra batteries
  - Pajamas or something to change into for bed, slippers or comfortable shoes for when you are not outdoors. This cabin floor will be cool and possible damp at times.
  - Sleeping Bag and 1 blanket or 2-3 blankets
  - Toilet Articles-soap, towel, washcloth, comb, toothbrush and toothpaste and whatever else you might need.
  - Canteen or water bottle with holder --- IMPORTANT!
  - Scout Knife-if you have your Totin'Chip Card,
  - Compass
  - Personal eating utensils (knife, fork, spoon, insulated cup or mug, plate, bowl)
- Additional equipment and materials will be required for the Klondike Derby itself but that will be discussed in Patrol Corners and that list of equipment will not be available until Monday, January 3, 2005.
- **ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT and GAMES are not permitted on this campout.**

## **TIN FOIL DINNER**

1/4 to 1/3 pound of meat pressed out to 3/4" thick  
1-2 carrots cut up into thin strips or sliced into thin pieces  
potato-peeled and sliced into small pieces  
onion-if you like  
salt and pepper

### **HEAVY DUTY ALUMINUM FOIL**

This should all be placed in a single thickness around the meat with the onion if added either on top of or under the meat. Wrap the package and double fold all seams. WRAP IN A SECOND PIECE OF FOIL Keep the package loose to allow steam to develop and cook the food. Preheat oven to 350° and cook for 50-60 minutes. This way all you will have to do on the Klondike Derby is to reheat it instead of cooking it.

You might also wish to bring eating utensils so that you may fully enjoy lunch instead of eating with your fingers.

Put your name on your dinner with a Permanent Marker !!!

**A HOT MEAL IS REQUIRED AND YOU WILL BE CHECKED AT CHECK-IN TIME TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU ARE PREPARED FOR A HOT LUNCH OF SOME SORT.**

The tin foil dinner should be put into a large food bag and marked with the Scout's name as these may be carried in a single cooler on the sledge.

## **+++++ NEW!!! Camp Holaka Travel Directions +++++**

Travel directions to the new Camp Holaka, Lapeer, Michigan:

Telephone Number: 810-664-4063 (leave a message with the Camp Ranger)

- @ US 23 northbound onto northbound I-75
- @ I-69 east (Port Huron) to Exit 153, Lake Nepessing Rd.
- @ North (left) on Lake Nepessing Rd. to the end (Davison Rd.)
- @ East (right) on Davison Rd. to the traffic light at Millville Rd.
- @ North (left) on Millville Rd. 1.5 miles to Davis Lake Rd.
- @ West (left) on Davis Lake Rd. 1 mile to Horton Lake Rd.
- @ North (right) on Horton Lake Rd. to the main parking lot and entrance

*Michael L. Hassar*, Scoutmaster  
Boy Scout Troop 219

**Troop 219 Cabin Campout for the Klondike Derby**  
**January 19<sup>th</sup> through January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2007**  
**PERMISSION SLIP & HEALTH FORM**  
**(RETURN-WITH \$25.00 PAYMENT AT December 18, 2006 SCOUT MEETING)**  
**(Klondike Derby Only fee will be \$5.00)**

**REGISTRATION:** Adult or Scout's Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Method of Payment:** Individual's Account \_\_\_\_\_

Check Amount and Number \_\_\_\_\_

Cash \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (name) has my permission to attend the New Horizons District Klondike Derby and Troop 219 Cabin Campout from 6:00 P.M. Friday, January 19 through 11:00 A.M. Sunday, January 21, 2007 at Camp Holaka, Lapeer, Michigan. Transportation arrangements will be made by the Troop. Scouts should be dropped off with their equipment prior to the 6:00 P.M. departure time from the ACO Hardware parking lot. Scouts **must be picked up** at this same location **at 11:00** A.M. on Sunday.

**You should have dinner prior to arrival Friday evening.**

**OR**

\_\_\_\_\_ (name) has my permission to attend the New Horizons District Klondike Derby with Boy Scout Troop 219 on Saturday, January 20, 2007 at Camp Holaka, Lapeer, Michigan. We will make our own transportation arrangements for our Scout. Scouts need to be at Camp Holaka with their equipment at 7:45 A.M. and may be picked up at 4:45 P.M.

In the event of an emergency, and I cannot be reached by telephone or other reasonable means, I hereby (DO/DO NOT) give my permission to the physician selected by the adult leader in charge to hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, order injections, surgery and do whatever appears medically necessary for my child.

Medical Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Insurance Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

**Allergies or other medical information:** \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date- \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Tel. No: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Tel. No: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Person to contact in an emergency if parent/guardian cannot be reached:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Scout: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL HEALTH OR DIETARY NOTES UPDATE BY PARENT/GUARDIAN:**

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