

Troop 219 Informational Handout

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Upcoming Events

March 7 & 8 – Troop 179 Lock-In

March 8 – Scouting for Food Bag Distribution-9 A.M. at the church

March 8 – Summer Camp Payment No. 2

March 15 – Scouting for Food Bag Pickup-9 A. M. at the church

March 21 & 22 – Kalamazoo Airzoo overnight

March 24 – Troop Court of Honor

March 29 - Planet Rock *tentative*

April 7, 15 and 22 – Red Cross CPR & First Aid (for the Scout Troop)

April 18 – 20 Whitewater raft trip to West Virginia

April 25 – 27 First year campout and mock disaster

May 5 - FINAL SUMMER CAMP PAYMENT

May 9 – 11 – Dorchester IBC

May 26 - MEMORIAL DAY PARADE & FLAG RAISING AT THE CEMETERY

June 7 - First Presbyterian Church Blood Drive Service Hours

June 13 & 14 - Relay for Life Volunteers Needed

• **Summer Camp Costs and Payment Schedule**

We just received the 2008 Camp Tapico Leader's Guide so we now have some guidance on the fees and payment schedule.

The initial troop roster and a \$50.00 deposit per person was due to the Council Service Center by March 1, 2008. **Mr. Miller took care of this.** ALL payments should be made through the Troop. You should have made your first \$60.00 payment already to Mr. Miller. The second payment of \$60.00 (or more) is due on Monday, March 10 **your final payment of \$140.00 is due on Monday, May 5.**

If all fees to the Council are paid in full by May 15, the cost is \$260.00 per Scout and \$120.00 per adult. After May 15, the fee goes up an additional \$20.00. The stated fees include equipment rental, tents and cots or beds, from the camp, and a troop fee for associated incidentals.

• **Troop 179 Lock-in**

Friday, March 7, 7:00 P.M. through Saturday, March 8, 6:30 P.M. There is a flyer on the Troop Bulletin Board at the Church and on the web site. I hope to be in attendance but cannot guarantee that at this time. We will depart from the First Presbyterian Church parking lot on Friday at 6:30 P.M. and you may be picked up there at 7:30 A.M. on Saturday. Please strongly consider staying for Scouting for Food.

I DO NOT KNOW WHAT PARENTS MIGHT BE IN ATTENDANCE BUT WE MAY HAVE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR DRIVERS TO AND FROM MT. MORRIS.

- **Scouting for Food-BAG DISTRIBUTION AND PICKUP**

The annual Scouting good turn is coming up Saturday. Each year Tall Pine Council collects thousands of pounds of food for the Food Bank. Many children your age go without one or more meals a day right here in Genesee County. Times are tough for many people in our area and this effort replenishes supplies at the Food Bank.

Bag Distribution is on Saturday, March 8. Meet at the Church at 9 A.M. in full Scout uniform. We will have a light snack, DONUTS AND JUICE, while gathering and assigning areas for the bag distribution. With a good turnout we should be done by 10:30 or before.

Bag Pickup is on Saturday, March 15. Meet at the Church at 9 A.M. in full Scout uniform. We will have a light snack, DONUTS AND JUICE, while gathering and assigning areas for the bag pickup. With a good turnout we should be done by 10:30 or before.

- **Red Cross CPR and First Aid**

Mr. Hussar is a Red Cross instructor and is offering an opportunity for Scouts and parents to learn CPR and First Aid. CPR is required for several merit badges and is an important skill to learn. The first aid class will be in more depth than the first year Scout program. CPR Training will run from 7:00-9:00 P.M. on Monday, April 7 and Monday, April 14. First Aid Training will run from 7:00-9:00 P.M. on Monday, April 7 and Monday, April 21, 2008. You need to attend all three sessions to be able to complete both Adult CPR and Standard First Aid. The cost for this training includes Red Cross Certification. Adult CPR is \$17.00 and if you add First Aid will be a total of \$24.00.

- **Kalamazoo Airzoo**

Transportation arrangements will be made by the Troop. Cost and additional details will be available on the permission slip. We will depart from the Fenton Collision parking lot at 4:30 P.M. Friday afternoon, March 21, and will return there at approximately 4:00 P.M. on Saturday afternoon, March 22.

- **Planet Rock**

A climbing activity is planned for Planet Rock in Pontiac. The Troop calendar is packed and we have tentatively set March 29th as the date for this activity. We will confirm in the next few weeks.

The cost for Planet Rock is for a three hour window.

We need a minimum of 15 people and the cost for 15 people would be \$525.00 This figures out to \$35.00 per person. More than 15 people would pay an additional \$29.00 each, 14 years old and younger, or \$40.00 for over 14 years of age. This includes Climbing Merit Badge requirements 3, 5, 8, 9, 10 and 11 for anyone wishing to work on it.

THE PLC NEEDS TO DISCUSS THIS AND A DECISION BY THE TROOP NEEDS TO BE MADE AT THE MEETING ON MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2008. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE SIGN UP AT MR. MILLERS TABLE. THERE WILL BE A SHOW OF INTEREST SIGN UP SHEET AVAILABLE THERE. AFTER WE KNOW IF WE ARE GOING THEN I WILL GET A PERMISSION SLIP PUT TOGETHER AND GET THE PLANET ROCK RELEASE FORM WHICH WILL ALSO BE NEEDED BY PARTICIPANTS.

- **First Year (and Troop) Campout**

I do not have any information yet as to how many of the new Scouts and Troop Guides or other Scouts attended this activity this past weekend or what was accomplished. We will have an update for our next Informational Handout. It might not have been warm on Saturday but it certainly was a sunny day. Hope the sun penetrated the depths of Camp Holaka and they were able to enjoy it as well as those who stayed at home.

- **Newest Eagle Scouts**

This has been a busy year so far for Eagle Scouts and Courts of Honor. Once again, congratulations to Jon King, Mike King, Ken Foley, Casey Laetz and Andrew Weston who have now celebrated earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

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