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Troop 4 Echo

Troop Meeting

Schedule

Oct 06, 6:30 pm

Oct 13, 6:30 pm

Oct 20, 6:30 pm

Nov 03, 6:30 pm

Nov 10, 6:30 pm

Nov 17, 6:30 pm

Dec 01, 6:30 pm

Dec 08, 6:30 pm

Dec 15, 6:30 pm

Dec 29, 5:30 pm

Jan 05, 6:30 pm

Jan 12, 6:30 pm

Jan 19, 6:30 pm

Feb 02, 6:30 pm

Feb 09, 6:30 pm

Feb 16, 6:30 pm

Mar 02, 6:30 pm

Mar 09, 6:30 pm

Mar 16, 6:30 pm

Mar 30, 6:30 pm

Troop Committee

Schedule

Oct 27, 6:30 pm

Nov 24, 6:30 pm

Dec 22, 6:30 pm

Jan 26, 6:30 pm

Feb 23, 6:30 pm

Mar 23, 6:30 pm

Chartered Organization: St. John the Baptist Church

Upcoming Campouts and Events

2010 National Jamboree Campout – the troop will be making a trek to the jamboree in July 25th through July 30th of 2010. A scout must be at least 1st class and have completed 6th grade in order to attend. Currently the cost per scout will be \$300. The campsite for the troop has been reserved and more information to come in the following weeks.

2011 Sea Base Campout – currently in the planning stages, scouts 14 and older will be able to attend, special fundraising will be needed in order to help pay for the trip, more planning will start to take place this Fall.

Hot Dog Sale – the June Hot Dog Fundraiser Sale is need of a chairman or co-chairs for the event. The possible date of the event will be June 26, 2010.

Camp Dittmer – July 4th through July 10th; the June 29th troop meeting will be the preparation for packing the trailer and final paperwork check for camp.

Troop Committee Openings

Popcorn Kernel - Mrs. Rotella is looking for an individual that will be willing to work with her become the Popcorn Kernel for next year; this year will be Mrs. Rotella's last year as the Kernel. If you are interested in becoming Popcorn Kernel contact Mrs. Rotella.

Troop Committee Secretary – with Mrs. Tocco has resigned as the committee secretary. If you are interested in joining the Troop Committee as Secretary contact Mr.Drury or any other committee member.

Eagle Projects

Brian Orzechowski –be completing the work on his Eagle Project on October 18, 2009 from 1:00 p.m. to about 5:00 p.m. at Lockport Little League located on Lincoln Avenue next to Allie Brandt Bowling Lanes. He would appreciate your help. We will be moving the bleachers at several of the fields and putting down landscape sheeting along with pea stone gravel to prevent weed growth under the bleachers.

If you can attend, bring a pair of gloves per person along with a shovel and/or rake and, if possible, a wheelbarrow to transport the gravel to each of the bleachers. Please wear proper attire for the weather on that day.

If you can attend or have any questions, contact Brian. Helping him with his project will give you service hours towards advancement. It is also a very scout-friendly project.

Pizza and pop will be provided so let Brian know if you will be able to help him, so he can plan ahead. Also, if the weather prevents us from completing the project, the "back-up" date will be October 25th from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Brian can use all the help you can give him!!!

Troop Medical Forms

National BSA has changed its policy in regards to medical forms. BSA has come out with a new medical form that needs to be filled out every year now by the doctors for both the scouts and leaders of the troop. Mrs. Stroud and Mrs. Cleri have enough printed forms for each scout and adult leader in the troop, please see them to receive your new form. Also, Every Scout and Adult Leader must have their medical forms updated every year.

Remember to take your forms upon your annual physical with your doctor.



Merit Badges

The Troop now has 11 Merit Badge Counselors with newest counselor being Mr. Trzyna. Three new badges have been added to the troop list and they are Collections, Computers and Railroading. Listed below are all the merit badges that can be done by counselor of our troop.



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| American Business | Emergency Prep* | Orienteering |
| Archery | Energy | Personal Management* |
| Auto Maintenance | Engineering | Pets |
| Basketry | Entrepreneur | Plumbing |
| Camping* | Environmental Sci* | Public Speaking |
| Canoeing | Family Life* | Railroading |
| Cit In Community* | Fire Safety | Reading |
| Cit In Nation* | First Aid* | Rifle Shooting |
| Cit In World* | Fishing | Scholarship |
| Collections | Gardening | Shotgun Shooting |
| Communications* | Genealogy | Sports |
| Computers | Golf | Swimming* |
| Cooking | Home Repairs | Theater |
| Cycling* | Journalism | Woodwork |
| Disability Aware | Law | |
| Dog Care | Lifesaving* | |
| Drafting | Medicine | |
| Electricity | Music | |

Troop Email Address

Troop 4 will offer free email addresses to any scout as long as he remains a member of Troop 4. The email will only be accessible through a web browser. A form can be obtained from Mr. Trzyna which has to be filled out by the scout and parents. The guidelines for the email account are specified on the form and should be read by both the scout and parents.

The email address will have the following format **address@itctroop4.org**,

The 'address' will be the portion that the scout can pick for his email address. It should be scout appropriate and recommended not to have your first or last name in it. Fill out the form and return it to Mr. Trzyna.