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Troop Tidings

SCOUT Skills - Del Valle, Mar 25-26, 2006

by *Jeanne Lee*

The scout skills outing was good. The following scouts attended the entire outing: Michael L., Trevor W., Adam H., Kyle H., and Brett S. They braved rain showers, wind, and terrible fishing. They hiked from the campground to the lake and tried fishing but caught nothing. Most scouts also worked on carving neckerchief slides while they huddled under the rain tarp during the frequent afternoon rain showers. The food was really good. We had hamburgers (Wolfe Ranch burgers) and dutch oven chicken with stuffing. The adults that attended were Jeanne Lee, Albert Lee, Phil Wolfe, and Kent Screechfield.

Bike Hike - April 2, 2006

POSTPONED

by *Jeanne Lee*

The bike hike that was originally scheduled for April 2nd is being rescheduled as this is the day after the Kiwanis service project. As our scouts haven't been hiking very much the suggestion is to maybe plan a Sunday hike in late April or May as a substitute outing. This would possibly be one of the easier Rim rover or Highlander hikes.

Camporee 2006

By *Susan Oki*

The Meridian District Camporee is scheduled for April 28-30 at Camp Parks, Dublin.

Our Troop will again be sponsoring the ARCHERY RANGE so we

need several adult volunteers to help on the Saturday. Also, the



"Are you sure you shot all six?"

Troop has to provide two adults for setup on Friday and two adults for break down on the Sunday.

For the scouts, this event gives the opportunity to demonstrate your scout skills and compete against other Troops in the district. (Meridian District includes Troops from San Ramon, Danville, and Alamo.) There will be traditional scout programs, and for the older scouts an opportunity to assist in staff assignments and/or participate in more high adventure activities.

The Order of the Arrow tap out is scheduled for Friday night so if you are an OA candidate it is strongly recommended that you participate in this outing.

Permission slips are available on the Troop website at:

<http://www.troop805.org/forms/2006-04-28%20Camporee.pdf>

The deadline for sign ups is April 18 – no late registration accepted.

This Month's Activities Backpacking

Personal Fitness Merit Badge

April 1st

Kiwanis Service Project
Sponsored by the OA.
8:30am-1:00 p.m.

April 4th 6:30-8:30

Court of Honor Meeting in the MPR
Cost: \$5 per person
Food: Costco Pizza
Make sure to tell Mrs. Green if you are coming

April 11th 7:15-8:30

Troop Meeting in the MPR
Opening: Badgers Patrol
Activity: Personal Fitness Merit Badge
Game: TBD
Closing: Squirrels Patrol

April 18th 7:15-8:30

Troop Meeting in the MPR
Opening: Eagles Patrol
Activity: Personal Fitness Merit Badge
Game: TBD
Closing: Cobras Patrol

April 28th – 30th

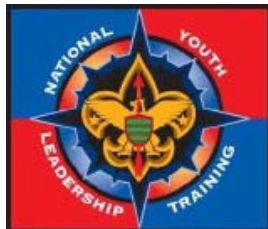
Camporee At Camp Parks
Outdoor Leader Skills
Cost: \$25
Meet: Sycamore Park and Ride on Friday at 4:00 pm
Leave: Sunday at 4:15pm
Sponsored by the Cobras Patrol

April 25th 7:17-8:30

PLC in the MPR

National Youth Leadership Training – Summer Courses aka Junior Leader Training Conference

By Susan Oki



This is your chance to nominate yourself to attend the summer National

Youth Leadership Training scheduled for June/July.

This training course is an intensive practical experience in Scoutcraft and Leadership Skills set in a model troop situation. It is intended for mature Scouts who are at least 13 years old by the start of the course, and have achieved the First Class rank.

The Mount Diablo Silverado Counsel offers two summer courses as follows:

- Brownsea NYLT: June 18th, 2006 @ noon (Sunday) thru June 23rd, 2006 @ 8:00 pm (Friday)
- John Muir NYLT: July 9th, 2006 @ noon (Sunday) thru July 14th, 2006 @ 8:00 pm (Friday)

The cost to attend either course is \$175.

If you'd like to hear more about past experiences talk to one of the scouts who attended in a prior year: Thomas V., Michael G., Michael L., JT M., Christopher O., Nick R., Will V., or Trevor W.

Remember, if you'd like to be CONSIDERED as a candidate for NYLT, email the Scoutmaster before May 1. The Troop can send at most two (2) scouts to a course.

SPL and PL Election

Our SPL and PL elections are scheduled for May 9.



The job descriptions for these positions and the other leadership roles can be found on the

Troop Website at:

<http://www.troop805.org/Resources/jltjobs.html>

If you are interested in running for the SPL position please see the Scoutmaster.

Parent Meeting – Minutes

By Lori Wolfe

Attendees:

Glen Aikin
Ramona Chang
Pat Garavaglia
Michael Green
Linda Green
Ira Hillyer
Tat Huen
Albert Lee
Neal Matsunaga
Cheryl Meder
Greg Moranski
Susan Oki
Steve Oki
Kent Screechfield
Phil & Lori Wolfe

Tat Huen suggested a direct feed from Pack 802 to Troop 805. He suggested we need to market to parents as the majority of them make the decision on where the boy will go as opposed to the boy actually making the decision.

Suggestion by Phil Wolfe to see what the boys want to do and this will lead the activities.

Octavio Ricart told about a Walnut Creek troop who does a scout skills weekend in October to introduce boys to their troop. Octavio feels current Troop 805 parents need to show up for recruiting functions.

Albert Lee posed the question "What is this troop about? What is its reputation? A hiking troop? A camping troop?"

Summary:

1. Talk about events after they have happened i.e. a camping weekend so the boys will know how much fun they have missed
2. Target parents when recruiting
3. Start in the fall to recruit and eventually make recruiting a year round occurrence.
4. Assign scouts to follow up with webelos; buddy system cause the little boys like the big boys
5. Have Troop 805 parents at events
6. Circulate the list of kids and parents that are coming to the troop. Have parents do follow up calling
7. Potential monthly recruiting plan along with monthly activity plan

We need more parents at the parent meetings. Request for a monthly email reminder. It is the third Tuesday of the month unless otherwise noted.

Friends of Scouting handed out and Troop 805 dues of 150.00 are due.

New Scoutmaster discussed. Sue Oki's son has aged out and she would like a new scout master chosen to replace her when the new

SPL takes over in November of 2006. She would like to mentor the replacement from April to November. Octavio stated there will be a vote at the next parent meeting which is April 18 at 7:15pm. He stated parents can vote by proxy (which would be email) if they are unable to attend. Kent Screechfield has volunteered to be the next scoutmaster and Glen Aikin and Octavio Ricart are also training as ASM's.

The next meeting will be **April 18** at **7:15pm**.

World Jamboree

By Mike Dubrall

Scouts and Venturers

Next year is the 100th anniversary of Scouting and there is going to be a very big celebration in England, where Scouting began. World Jamboree 2007 in London will include Scouts from all over the world to mark the first century of the Scouting movement. Those lucky enough to participate will remember it for the rest of their lives.

If you are interested in World Jamboree 2007, get your name on the list of Scouts from our Council who want to go. Positions will be filled on a first come-first served basis - and we have a limited allocation for Northern California. You secure your spot on the consideration list by filling out the application and sending a check for \$500. (Paying the deposit does not necessarily guarantee you a spot □ this will be explained at the information meeting.) Our goal is to form one Troop from the Mount Diablo Silverado Council.

You can get more information at <http://www.scouting.org/jamboree/world/>

For those who would like to find out more, there is a meeting at the Council Office in Pleasant Hill on Tuesday, April 18 (7:30 to 8:30 pm)

This is an informational meeting for Scouts and Venturers (and their parents) who have not already signed up. You can get an application and/or pay your deposit there. The Council Service center is located at 800 Ellinwood, Pleasant Hill.

For more information contact:

- Tom Cooper, MDSC Representative, 925-943-5343 (Thomas@thomascooper.net)
- Tom Eppenberger, 925-798-4051 (tom@eppenberger.com)
- Mike Dubrall, 925-366-4006 (miked@50miler.com)
- Chuck Savage, 925-932-4843 (cesavage@pacbell.net)

The 2007 World Scout Jamboree will be held July 27 until August 8, 2007 at Hylands Park in the United Kingdom. 2007 is the centennial year of the founding of the Scouting Movement and the Jamboree theme will be "One World, One Promise." An estimated 40,000 Scouts will join together in this once in a lifetime opportunity to meet, live and work with Scouts from other cultures, gain a world perspective, and to experience the key elements of the World Jamboree:

- The World Village
- The Gilwell Adventure
- The Global Development Village
- A Community Action Day...and

- Greeting the dawn of the second century of Scouting on August 1st, 2007 at 8:00 AM

Who is Eligible:

Scouts and Venturers over the age of 14 and under 18 years old on July 27, 2007.

The Cost:

The estimated cost of the Jamboree and a 2-day side trip is \$3,975 per person plus travel and incidental expenses etc. (You should plan for an additional ~\$1,000 to cover spending money, travel expenses, uniforms, and the cost of the pre-jamboree events.)

Come to the meeting and get all your questions answered.

Urban Backpacking – Sacramento

By Bruce Isaeff

Mark your calendars now for our May 20th urban backpacking trip via train to the state capital.

We will tour the capital building and surrounding grounds.

Complete requirements for the Citizen in the Nation merit badge.

Look for permission slips on the web soon.