



# Troop Tidings

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## New Troop 805 Eagle Scout



Please join the Troop in congratulating

**Brett M. Screechfield**

On achieving the Rank of Eagle Scout.

Look for the details of his Eagle Court of Honor in the coming months.

## Roll 'Em, Bowl 'Em

*By Dr. Laubach*

On Sunday, December 4, Troop 805 is going bowling at Danville Bowl. We will be inviting Webelos to join us on this outing. This promises for a fun time but is also a chance to help in recruitment efforts and distinguish Troop 805 from other troops they may be visiting! Further details on the permission slip on Troop805.org.

## Troop 805 Webelos Open House Wrap up

*By Dr. Laubach*

Great job by our team at the Open House on November 15th! We had 31 Webelos family attendees from 9 different Packs! Ryan's slide show got the night off to a great start. Alex, Chase & Donny did a great job with the Webelos Scouts and Brett, Willie & Mr. Colello were fantastic speaking to the parents. Thank you to all the scouts, leaders & parents who helped put this together!

## Having a Blast with Water Rockets

*By Mr. Mahoney*

On Saturday, December 10th, we will have special event of building and launching water rockets. A water rocket

is a type of model rocket using water as its reaction mass. The pressure vessel—the engine of the rocket—will be a used plastic 2-liter soft drink bottle. The water is forced out by compressed air. We will be inviting Webelos from other packs to join us on this event and we will be meeting at Charlotte Wood Middle School, on or near the basketball courts on the west end. Scouts will be responsible for their own transportation and there is no cost for this event. We will start at 10:00 and should be done between 11:00 to 11:30.

The science behind it: The bottle is partially filled with water and is sealed on the launcher. The bottle is then pressurized with compressed air from a bicycle pump, air compressor, or cylinder. Water and gas are used in combination, with the gas providing a means to store potential energy, as it is easily compressed, and the water increasing the mass fraction and providing greater momentum when ejected from the rocket's nozzle. The seal on the nozzle of the rocket is then released and rapid release of water occurs, at high speeds. Until the propellant has been used up, and the pressure equalizes with atmospheric pressure, there is a net force created on the tank in accordance with Newton's third law. The expulsion of the water causes the rocket to leap a considerable distance into the air. In addition to aerodynamic considerations, altitude and flight duration are dependent upon the volume of water, the initial pressure, the rocket nozzle's size, and the unloaded weight of the rocket. Typical apogee heights are 200-300 feet, but the world's record is 2,044 feet for a highly developed water rocket called the X-12!!! See the website for some cool information and videos:

[http://www.uswaterrockets.com/world/world\\_story\\_11.htm](http://www.uswaterrockets.com/world/world_story_11.htm).

The permission slip for this event is on our website and needs to be returned to your Patrol Leader by Tuesday, December 6th. For more information, contact Mr. Mahoney at 925.899.3840.

## This Month's Theme: Mechanics

### Outings

#### Bowling

**When:** Sunday, December 4  
**Adult in Charge:** Mr. Laubach  
**Patrol in Charge:** Wolverines

#### Water Rockets

**When:** Saturday, December 10  
**Location:** Charlotte Wood MS  
**Adult in Charge:** Mr. Mahoney  
**Patrol in Charge:** Flaming Arrows  
**Permission Slip due:** December 6

### Meetings

**December 6 – Troop Meeting**  
 (Bring Toys for Tots unwrapped toy and a \$10 gift exchange item wrapped)

**Where:** Sycamore School  
**When:** 7:00-8:30 pm  
**Opening:** Panthers  
**Closing:** Flaming Arrows  
**Activities:** Swearing in of leadership (wear full Class A); make water rockets (bring 2 gallon plastic soda type bottle)  
**Patrol Corners:** Yes (planning meetings; bring ideas)

**December 13 – PLC & BOR**

**Where:** Sycamore School  
**When:** 7:00 p.m.

**December 20 & 27 – NO meetings**

**December 4 – ASM Meeting**

## 2012 Summer Camp

*By Mr. Colello*

Troop 805's 2012 Summer Camp is scheduled to take place the week of **July 29th through August 4th** so mark your calendar now, requests for commitment to participate have been e-mailed to all parents and will be posted on our website as well.

Commitment forms need to be returned by the Court of Honor on **January 10<sup>th</sup>**. Troop 805 has a limited number of slots for scouts and adult leaders.

This year's camp will be held at Wente Scout Reservation operated by the San Francisco Bay Area Council. Wente offers tall Douglas Fir trees and golden meadows. The 80-acre lake offers a natural setting for swimming, sailing, boating, and canoeing. It is considered one of the warmest lakes in the state. Wente offers a chance to backpack, sail, mountain bike, fish, ride horses, and go rock climbing all in one week. Scouts may try their hand at black powder musket firing, kayaking and rappelling. Wente is rich in wildlife and allows for the study of conservation, re-forestation, wildlife management, woodcraft and nature study. Rifle, shotgun, and archery shooting are also popular activities. The campsites have tents on platforms. There are showers and meals are served in a dining hall.



## Hike to Start the Year – January 7

*By Mr. Ruskin*

Experience the vast beauty on our own doorstep in the Bay Area and discover the joys of geocaching. This is a short ½ day hike of approx. 2.2 miles along the Short Ridge Trail above Sycamore Sports Park in Danville. Our trek will conclude with each patrol preparing lunch for themselves and for Webelos who will be joining us in this recruiting hike. Details and permission slip to follow soon!

## LEAD (Leader Education & Discovery)

*By: Mr. Screechfield*

Registration for LEAD (Leader Education and Discovery) on January 21, 2012 is now open. LEAD is not just for adult leaders, there is something for all parents of scouts and scouters like how to be a Merit Badge Counselor, how to cook with a Dutch oven, how to become CERT trained, and much more. Cost is \$35 and includes lunch. Go to <http://www.bsa-mdsc.org/training/scout-leader-education-and-discovery-lead> to register.

## Popcorn News

*By Mrs. Ramesh and Mrs. Marvin*

Our troop had a decent amount of popcorn sales this year totaling to over \$2,150. Our top sellers were the Panthers with over \$1,500 in sales and 50% patrol participation. Congratulations Panthers! Prizes will be in shortly and will be distributed at one of the upcoming troop meetings. Thanks to everyone who participated.

## Court of Honor

*By Mrs. Lofe & Mrs. Kenessey*

Save the date for our next Court of Honor set for Tuesday, January 10, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. January is our traditional desserts Court. An Evite registration will follow this month.

## Next Month's Preview Theme: First Aid

### Outings

#### Hike

**When:** Saturday, January 7  
**Adult in Charge:** Mr. Ruskin  
**Patrol in Charge:** Pine Trees  
**Permission Slip due:** December 13

#### Skiing

**When:** January 21- 23  
**Location:** NorthStar  
**Adults in Charge:** Mr. Huen  
**Patrol in Charge:** Dino-Walruses  
**Permission Slip due:** January 10

### Meetings

#### January 3 - No Meeting

January 10 - Court of Honor, 7:00 p.m.

January 17 - Troop Meeting

January 24 - Troop Meeting

January 31 - PLC & BOR

January 12 - ASM

January 26 - District Roundtable

January 28 - OA Apanuc

January 3 and January 23 – No SRVUSD

## Skiing Outing – January 21 - 23

*By Mr. Huen*

The Dino Walruses are sponsoring a Troop skiing trip on January 21-23, 2012 (That's a Saturday to Monday). We will be heading up to NorthStar Ski Area and staying at the cabin within the ski resort. We will leave on Saturday morning at approximately 9:30am and return to Danville at about 4pm Monday afternoon. There is no school on Monday as it is a teacher work day. Trip is limited to a max of 12 scouts (Scouts 13 years or older) and 3 adult leaders. There also might be an opportunity to work on the Snow Sport Merit Badge during the outing.

The approximate price is \$60 for scouts. Everyone will need \$80 for lift ticket plus additional money if you need equipment rental. One dinner and two breakfasts will be provided and patrols need to coordinate food for one dinner and breakfast. Everyone who skis must wear a helmet.

Questions? Contact Mr. Huen 510-816-6883, email [tat@huen.com](mailto:tat@huen.com)

## National Youth Training Conference

*By Mr. Screechfield*

Time is running out to nominate yourself to attend the winter National Youth Leadership Training scheduled for February 2012. 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. Scouts must complete NYLT prior to becoming a Senior Patrol Leader.

The Mount Diablo Silverado Counsel offers the winter course at Camp Herms, El Cerrito CA as follows:

First Conference Meeting: January 19, 2012 (Thursday) @ 7 to 8:30pm

Weekend # 1: February 18, 2012 @ 9am (Saturday) thru February 20, 2012 @ 4 pm (Monday)

Weekend # 2: February 24, 2012 @ 7pm (Friday) thru February 26, 2012 @ 2:30 pm (Sunday)

Last Conference Meeting: May 17, 2012 (Thursday) @ 7 to 8:30pm

The cost to attend the course will be \$227 and is due by January 10, 2012 on a first come – first serve basis. If you'd like to hear more about past experiences, talk to one of the scouts who attended in a prior year: Gautam R., Willie W., Alex C., Hayden C., Marc T., Ryan M., Donny L., Chase C., Wesley H., Krishna P., Mitchell M., Kyle H. or Darren C.

Remember, if you'd like to be CONSIDERED as a candidate for NYLT, contact the Scoutmaster. The Troop is only allowed to send two participants from the candidate list.



## Troop 805 2011/2012 Outings

### December (Mechanics/Wolverines)

- Bowling (12/3 - Sat) - **Wolverines**
- Water Rockets (12/11 - Sun) - **Flaming Arrows**

### January 2012 (First Aid/Dino-Walruses)

- Hike (1/07 - Sat) - **Pine Trees**
- Skiing (1/20 - Fri: 1/23 - Mon) - **Dino- Walruses**

**February (Winter Camping/Panthers)**

- Intro Snow Camping (2/10 - Sat: 2/11 - Sun) - **Flaming Arrows**
- High Adventure Snow Camping (2/17 - Fri: 2/20 - Mon) - **Panthers**

**March (Pioneering/Pine Trees)**

- Bike Ride (3/03 - Sat) - **Panthers**
- \*\*\*School Service Project (3/27 - Tue) - **OA**
- Scout Skills - Sugar Loaf (3/30 - Fri: 4/01 - Sun) - **Pine Trees (might be moved)**

**April (Tracking/Yellow Jackets)**

- Kiwanis Big K (4/21 - Sat) - **OA**
- Camporee (4/27 - Fri: 4/29 - Sun) - **Yellow Jackets (to be moved)**

**May (Wilderness Survival/Panthers)**

- “Day Outing” (5/06 - Sun) - **Wolverines**
- High Adventure Camping (5/18 - Fri: 5/20 - Sun) - **Panthers**

**June (High Adventure/Kamikaze Platypi)**

- Fages 20 Mile Hike (6/02 - Sat) - **OA**
- White Water Rafting (6/22 - Fri: 6/24 - Sun) - **Kamikaze Platypi**
- Rock Climbing (6/30 - Sat) - **Dino- Walruses**
- \*\*Relay for Life Flag Ceremony (TBD Sat) - **OA**

**July (Backpacking/Pine Trees)**

- 4th of July Parade (7/04 - Wed) - **OA**
- Backpacking (7/13 - Fri: 7/15 - Sun) - **Pine Trees**
- Summer Camp - Wente (7/29 - Sun: 8/04 - Sat) - **SPL/ASPL**

**August (Aviation/Flaming Arrows)**

- USS Hornet (8/25 - Sat: 8/26 - Sun) - **Flaming Arrows**

**September (Orienteering/Kamikaze Platypi)**

- 9/11 Memorial Service (9/11 - Tue) - **OA**
- Spelunking (9/14 - Fri: 9/16 - Sun) - **Kamikaze Platypi**
- Orienteering Hike/Camping (9/28 - Fri: 9/30 - Sun) - **Panthers**

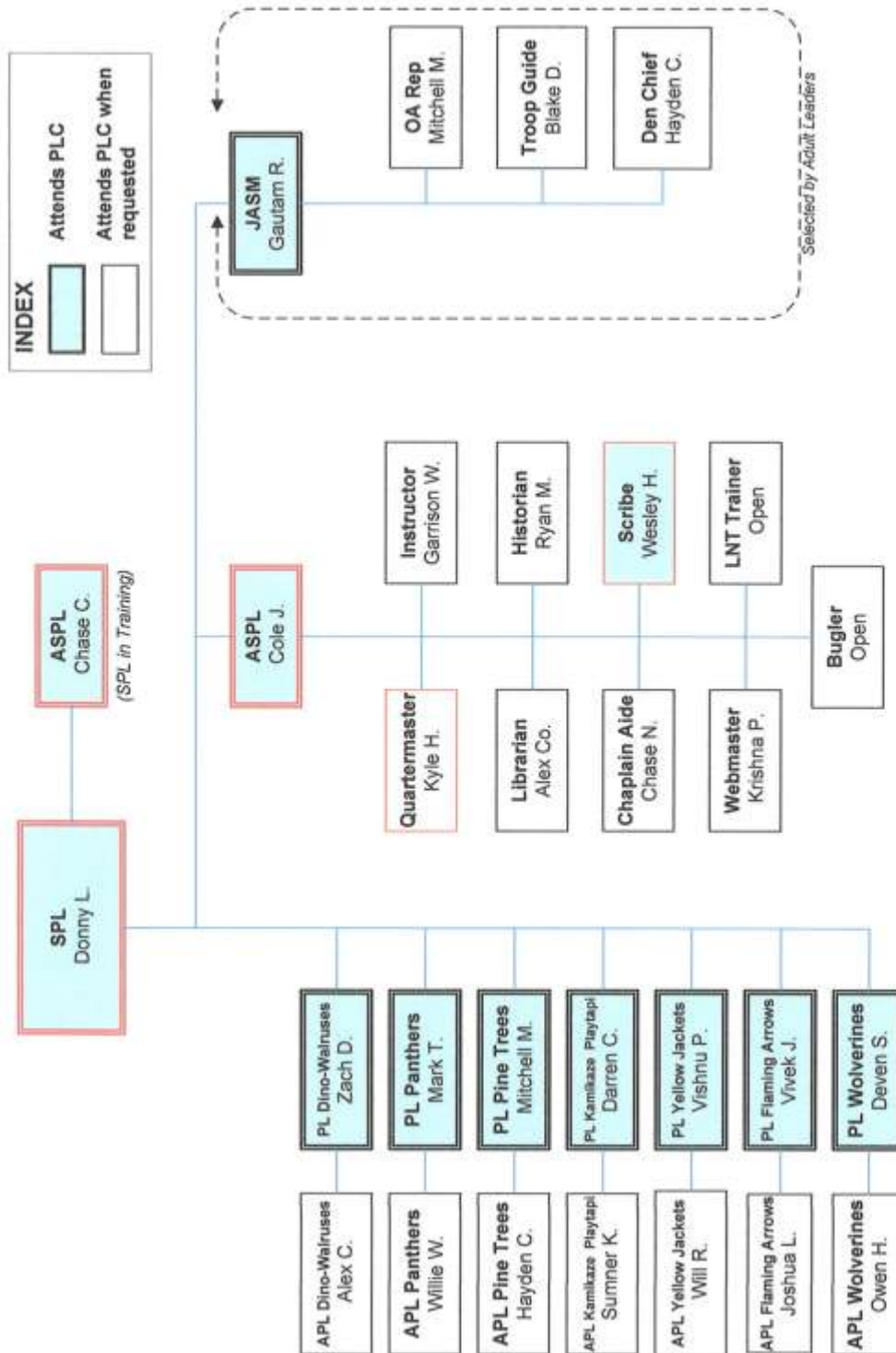
**October (Shooting/Dino-Walruses)**

- Archery Overnighter (10/12 - Sat: 10/14 - Sun) - **Dino-Walruses**
- Rifle Outing (10/27 - Sat.) - **Kamikaze Platypi**

Thanks to all those who helped during Scouting for Food!



# Troop 805 – Leadership Organization Chart



Troop 805 – Leadership Team  
(December 2011)