

Muddy Boots

December 29, 2008

Congrats to Noah for earning the Salesmanship Merit Badge!

Tonight our Scouts worked on First Aid and knots requirements and did the final planning for the lock-in.

A cookie sheet was left at the Troop Christmas party, we think it had chocolate chip cookies on it, to claim it, see Julia at a Troop meeting.

For the Scouts that are planning to take the Communications Merit Badge in Jan, do requirements 1 and 5. Bring the completed requirements to the 5 Jan Troop meeting and discuss with Tony. See link below.

I'm sure all Scouts have reminded their parents about the lock-in on 2-3 Jan. The Scouts will gather at 6 pm Friday night, watch movies, play games, pig out on pizza and soda, keep the adults up all night and want to sleep until noon. Well they get to do all but sleep until noon, on Saturday morning, while nursing soda/pizza tummy aches, the Scouts will work on Kandy Kane, the Klondike sled. Each Scout needs to bring sleeping gear. The lock-in ends at 1030 am on Saturday

A couple weeks ago, the Troop was made aware of a woman that was taking popcorn orders, using the Troop's name, without our knowledge, with no intention to give us the orders to fill. The woman is not affiliated with the Troop and she did this after our popcorn sales was complete. We contacted the Leavenworth police and they started an investigation. We kept the incident quiet while the police investigated the woman and for those that did not see the article in the paper, she was caught. For their quick action and due diligence, we will be recognizing the three officers that conducted the investigation and made the arrest. We ask that at the 12 Jan meeting, all Scouts be in Class A uniform and we ask that parents and leaders be present.

We are doing our annual recharter paperwork. On 5 Jan we need to collect annual membership dues. Dues have gone up this year, from \$36 to \$40 per Scout and Adult leader dues are \$10. Dues can be paid one time or quarterly.

We are in the planning phase for our Court of Honor (COH) on 1 Feb, more information will be in the 5 Jan 09 Muddy Boots.

We are trying to get contact information on as many Troop alumni as we can before Scout Sunday. If you know of any past Scouts or leaders, please send their contact info to Tony.

2-3 Jan Troop lock-in at Scout Hut, 6 pm Friday night until 1030 am Saturday: movies, games and PIZZA! Also will work on Kandy Kane (the Klondike sled)

3 Jan Chaplain Aide Training (Chaplain's Aide only)

5 Jan Troop Meeting, Scouts will work on Klondike skills, annual membership dues are due, \$40 per Scout,

10 Jan 9-12 am Communications Merit Badge at the Scout Hut. Requirements link <http://meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/Communications>

12 Jan Troop Meeting, campout prep, bring grub fee. Leavenworth police recognition.

- 13-14 Jan Fund Raiser at the Frontier Conference Center on Fort Leavenworth from 5:30 to 9:00
- 16-18 Jan Klondike campout at Lakeside Speedway.
- 19 Jan PLC
- 23-25 Jan Older Scout campout at the Hamptons
- 24 Jan Leatherwork Merit Badge, 0900-1300 at the Scout Hut. Requirements link <http://meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/Leatherwork>
- 26 Jan Troop Meeting, set up for Scout Sunday, sign up for Merit Badges for the Merit Badge College
- 1 Feb Scout Sunday, COH, potluck
- 2 Feb Troop Meeting, campout prep, bring grub fee, take down Scout Sunday display
- 6-8 Feb Campout at the Hamptons-Wilderness Survival
- 9 Feb PLC
- 16 Feb Troop Meeting, final list for Merit Badge College
- 20-21 Feb Merit Badge College on Fort Leavenworth
- 23 Feb Troop Meeting

Link to the Personal Management Merit Badge Requirements
http://meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/Personal_Management

Link to the Troop calendar on Google
<http://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=ev7ndv1e86j5d0lvmtl09qpvmo%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America/Chicago&pvttk=3ea748c953abf39f3a005f384bd7016d>

The Troop has a gear loan closet with boots, coats, hats and sleeping bags. See Danielle or Julia during Troop meetings if you need to borrow any gear.

Tony Lewis