

Troop 219 Informational Handout

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● **Summer Camp Deposits-IMPORTANT!!!!**

Our week at Camp Tapico is Sunday, July 11 through July 17, 2010. We need to turn in our first roster and deposit by Wednesday, March 31, 2010. You should have been making payments since January but a number of people have not yet done so. We need your deposit for Summer Camp no later than Monday, March 22, 2010-new Scouts exempt but it would be nice if you will be attending with us if you could turn in the form and payment. This gives Mr. Miller time to prepare the paperwork to turn in and to deposit any checks or payments. There is an early incentive fee which means we must make the full payment to the Council Service Center by May 14, 2010. The full cost per Scout is **\$280.00** if the full payment is made by May 14. The full fee per Scouter is **\$140.00** if paid by May 14, 2010. You should make your payments to the Troop with the last payment being made no later than Monday, May 10, 2010. These may be made at any Scout meeting to our Troop Treasurer, Mr. Miller.

● **New Scouts**

Seventeen of the nineteen Scouts who joined our Troop from Packs 158, 270 and 286 were in attendance at their first Boy Scout Troop meeting this past Monday. They seem to be a motivated group. We have the Child ID Forms, the *Parent's Guide* on "How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse" and Applications for 16 of the 17 Scouts so far and they have been processed through the Council Service Center. The missing Boy Scout Handbook was found last Monday. It had been taken upstairs and put on a shelf. You need to make sure that you bring your Boy Scout Handbook to all meetings and other activities where you will use it.

We also have three Adult Applications from parents of the new Scouts. They will be processed as soon as we get them approved through our Charter Organization. One or two of them need some additional information.

● **Scouting for Food Bag Pick-Up**

This Saturday, March 27, 2010, we will collect the bags for Scouting for Food which we distributed last Saturday. Meet at the church parking lot at 8:45 A.M. so that bag collection may begin at 9:00 A.M. This project is for all Scouts to participate in. Donuts and juice will be available. If we start collecting bags at 9:00 A.M. and have enough help this should take 1 ½ to 2 hours at the max to complete.

● **Success for Teens Presentation**

The fifth session of the Success for Teens program is scheduled for this evening, Monday, March 22, 2010. Mr. Galvin is the presenter for Session 5.

● **Bluespring Caverns Overnight Adventure**

I talked briefly, via emails, with Mr. Zimble about this activity when he got home Sunday afternoon. Rumor has it that the Scouts who attended all had a blast. I am not sure anyone can truly enjoy the 400+ mile trip to and then back from Bedford, Indiana but the activity itself was a success. I am sure that those who attended will tell you about it if asked.

● **2nd Formal Court of Honor for the 2009-2010 Scout Year.**

Our second Court of Honor will be held on Monday, March 29, 2010. Court of Honor are formal recognition of advancements and other accomplishments of the Scouts since the last Court of Honor. We will also install our newly elected Junior Leaders. The Council will have someone down to present the annual Friends of Scouting campaign.

NOTE: If you do not wish to make a donation, for whatever reason to help the Council, please complete the card and turn it in anyway so that they know you have been contacted and they do not call your home. This saves them time and saves us aggravation.

● **Dorchester International Brotherhood Camporee**

Mr. Miller has already distributed an Informational Handout for DIBC 2010 which includes the Permission Slip and Health Form with payment information. The completed paperwork was to be turned in this evening, Monday, March 15, 2010. The dates for DIBC are Friday, May 7 through Sunday, May 9, 2010. Please make sure that you are working on the paperwork to get back into the United States. This means that adults need a current Passport or Passcard and probably a Driver's License, especially if you are driving. The Information Handout contained all the required information, especially as it pertains to making sure we can get all of the Scouts back with us. If we do not have all of the paperwork correctly filled out then you will not be going to Canada with us.

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