

Troop 219 Informational Mailing

• Summer Camp Wrap-up and Other Stuff

This mailing is to summarize Summer Camp 2009 and to preview some of the 2009-2010 Scout Year upcoming events and activities.

We had 29 Scouts and 14 adults register for summer camp for this year. Mr. Hussar, Mr. Zimbler, Mr. Adams, Mr. Gorelick, Mr. Matt Rybar, Mr. Kyle Hanson, Mr. Ken Laetz and Mr. Ted Bauer spent the entire week at camp this year. Mr. Bauer and Mr. Laetz attending the Adult Leader Training conducting by Mr. McGregor for the full week. Mr. Galvin camp up and spent Sunday and most of Monday with us then returned home until Friday and Saturday. Mr. Pennington once again joined us for Sunday through Thursday. Mr. Dagenais and Mr. Pilarski came up late on Wednesday and stayed until our departure on Saturday. Mr. John Cohoon had to cut his week with us short as he had to be at work by noon or so on Wednesday. Mr. Ron Rybar pulled his trailer up with all of the bikes and some of the personal gear and Mr. Gorelick pulled up the big trailer with the troop gear and the rest of the personal gear. Mrs. Wisniewski, who will be attending summer camp in 2010, transported Scouts to camp and returned Saturday morning to transport Scouts home. Mr. Shaw arrived on Friday and spent the night and ended up transporting some personal gear home as the bike/equipment trailer developed a braking problem so was partially unloaded. Mr. Trecha also arrived Friday to help with our transportation needs. The Scouts all appeared to have a good time at camp. It was in the low 40's Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning and only rained once this week.

I will be turning in advancement paperwork for 138 (+) merit and 14 rank advancements. We also have 9 partially completed merit badges. A partial completion simply means that one or more requirements were not completed. A Scout need only contact a merit badge counselor in his home council to complete the requirement(s) remaining and will not have to redo those which were signed off at summer camp.

When we arrived back at the Fenton Collision parking lot on Saturday we distributed summer camp patches to the Scouts and a gift from Council for each of the adults. All merit badges and rank patches will be distributed at our formal Court of Honor in October. The table below is a list of what each Scout completed. I will *italicize* any advancements that I am working with the Program Director to finalize whether they were indeed completed or not and to get the completed or partial merit badge cards returned to me. We are missing several cards which the Scouts told me they turned in to the counselor and which we did not receive back yet.

The following is a summary of Merit Badges and Scout ranks earned this summer:

| Scout Name | New Rank Earned | Merit Badges Earned |
|-------------------|------------------------|--|
| Noah Bauer | Second Class Scout | Citizenship in the World, Fingerprinting, First Aid and Leatherwork |
| Jordan Bond | First Class Scout | Archery, Canoeing, Citizenship in the World and Metalwork |
| Jordan Dagenais | | Archery, Canoeing, Energy, Metalwork, Reptile & Amphibian Study, <i>Rifle Shooting</i> , and Space Exploration |

| Scout Name | New Rank Earned | Merit Badges Earned |
|---------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Corey Duey | Life Scout | Citizenship in the World, Communications, Fishing, Lifesaving, Rifle Shooting, Shotgun Shooting and Wilderness Survival |
| Adam Egelston | | Athletics, Canoeing, Chemistry, Emergency Preparedness, Energy, Fish and Wildlife Management, Forestry, Lifesaving, Mammal Study, Oceanography, Orienteering, Personal Management, Reptile & Amphibian Study, Rowing, Soil & Water Conservation, Sports and Weather (World Conservation Award) |
| Ethan Fegan | Star Scout | Citizenship in the Nation, Citizenship in the World, Emergency Preparedness and Swimming |
| John Galvin | Second Class Scout | Citizenship in the World, Fingerprinting, First Aid and Leatherwork |
| Nicholas Gorelick | | Canoeing, Citizenship in the World, Environmental Science and Metalwork |
| Ryan Gorelick | Life Scout | Canoeing, Communications, Mammal Study, Metalwork, Music, Reptile & Amphibian Study and Small Boat Sailing |
| Asa Green | Second Class Scout | Citizenship in the World, <i>Fingerprinting</i> , First Aid and Leatherwork |
| Alex Hamady | Second Class Scout | <i>Citizenship in the World</i> , Fingerprinting, First Aid and Leatherwork |
| Chase Hanson | Life Scout | Archery, Communications, Emergency Preparedness, Fingerprinting, Music and Space Exploration |
| Matthew Hommer | | Art, Communications, Environmental Science, Mammal Study and Music |
| Christopher Koenigsknecht | Life Scout | Communications, Environmental Science, Mammal Study, Metalwork, Music, Reptile & Amphibian Study and Small Boat Sailing |
| Michael Laetz | Second Class Scout | Citizenship in the World, Fingerprinting, First Aid and Leatherwork |
| Victor Major | Second Class Scout | Archery, Canoeing and Citizenship in the World |
| Maxwell McDonald | Life Scout | Communications, Environmental Science and Metalwork |
| Justin Morrow | | Communications, Environmental Science, Rifle Shooting and Space Exploration |

| Scout Name | New Rank Earned | Merit Badges Earned |
|--------------------|------------------------|--|
| Jonathan Nolkemper | Second Class Scout | Citizenship in the World, Fingerprinting, First Aid and Leatherwork |
| Travis Nolkemper | Life Scout | Communications, Emergency Preparedness, Fingerprinting and Space Exploration |
| Tyler Ogle | | Citizenship in the World, Fingerprinting, First Aid and Leatherwork |
| Everett Owen | | Archery, Metalwork and Space Exploration |
| Shannon Schiess | Star Scout | Citizenship in the World, Personal Fitness and <i>Communications</i> |
| Jacob Seavey | | Archery, Communications, Environmental Science, Fingerprinting and Space Exploration |
| Chris Shaw | Second Class | Citizenship in the World, Fingerprinting, First Aid and Leatherwork |
| Derek Trecha | | Archery, Canoeing, Chemistry, Communications and Rowing |
| Alec Wilhoite | | Canoeing, Communications, Metalwork, Music, Reptile & Amphibian Study and Small Boat Sailing |
| Michael Wisniewski | Life Scout | Communications, Environmental Science, Metalwork and Reptile and Amphibian Study |

The Scouts for whom I have partial completions on Merit Badges and am not pursuing for completion at this time are:

Corey Duey-Athletics
Victor Major-Communications
Max McDonald-Canoeing and Small Boat Sailing
Travis Nolkemper-Environmental Science and Music
Everett Owen-Communications
Shannon Schiess-Communications

● **Missing Personal Items**

The trailers were pretty much cleaned out upon our return from Summer Camp. We did not end up with near as much personal gear as in some previous years. Anything we have found will all be available at the picnic, and again at the first Scout meeting of the 2008-2009 Scout Year or you may call me at home to see if I have something of yours. If, while unpacking, you discovered something which does not belong to you or that you are missing something please see us at either of the above mentioned events.

● **Health Forms**

Health Forms were not returned to us. Beginning on January 1, 2010, every Scout and Adult will need a physical exam by a physician dated no more than 12 months prior the end of the activity it is used for. A Physician signed physical exam is only required for summer camp, National Jamboree and High Adventure Bases.

- **Patrol Leader Council Meeting**

There will be a Patrol Leaders Council meeting held on Monday, August 17, 2008. It will be held at our regular meeting place and will start at 6:00 P.M. A preliminary calendar was worked up in June but we now need to sit down and review that list of activities and to begin filling it out with additional needed information. The current Senior Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader(s), Patrol Leaders, Assistant Patrol Leaders and Troop Scribes will be in attendance. Bring ideas and/or suggestions for events you or your patrol might like to see on the calendar.

- **Troop Committee, and Scout Parent, Dinner and Committee Meeting**

There will be a Troop Committee Dinner and Meeting on Wednesday, August 26, 2009. Bring ONLY a folding chair, your appetite, and your eagerness to improve Troop 219.

Additional details on the time and location will be mailed to you in the very near future. All Parents of Troop 219 Scouts, and all members of the Troop Committee and their spouses are invited.

- **Family Picnic**

We have reserved the pavilion at Bush Park, behind St. John School for Monday, August 24, 2009. This will be a potluck with families bringing whatever their specialty is. The troop will provide hot dogs and sloppy joes or hamburgers with buns and fixings and a beverage but each family is on their own for plates, bowls, cups, silverware and napkins. This will start at 6:00 P.M. and end at 8:30 P.M. There is a volleyball court set up and basketball hoops are not far away BUT the balls for soccer, volleyball and basketball will have to be provided by the Scouts.

- **New Scout Year**

Our first meeting for the 2009-2010 Scout year will be Monday, September 14, 2009. Welcome Back ! ! ! The meeting time will be from 6:00 - 9:00 P.M. Due to a scheduling conflict we will meet at Silver Lake Park to work on the nature trail. Bring shovels, yard and leaf rakes, work gloves and dress in long pants as there may still be some active poison ivy along the edges of the trails we will work on.

If you have been inactive but were considering coming back into the program this is the beginning of the new Scout year and would be an excellent time to start attending meetings again.

- **Order of the Arrow Fall Conclave**

The Order of the Arrow Fall Conclave will be held at Camp Holaka in Lapeer beginning on Friday evening, September 18 and ending at about noon on Sunday, September 20, 2009. If you were elected into the OA in 2009 this is your last opportunity to go through the ordeal to seal your membership, otherwise you will have to be nominated and elected again to be eligible in 2009. Those still needing to go through their ordeal are Chase Hanson, Christopher Koenigsknecht and Jacob Seavey.

- **Junior Leader Elections**

On September 28 at 8:10 P.M. we will have nomination of candidates for Senior Patrol Leader and will have elections on October 5 for a new SPL and new Patrol Leaders. The ASPL(s) and APL's are selected by the new SPL and PL's. JASM, Scribe, Historian and all other leadership positions are by appointment and must be approved by the Scoutmaster.

- **Skill-O-Rama, Saturday, October 9th, 2009**

Additional information about the Skill-O-Rama to be held at Silver Lake will be available at the Troop Family Picnic or during our first Scout meeting of the new Scout year. Scouts who are camping may come out on Friday night, October 8, 2009 at 6 P.M. to camp both Friday and Saturday nights and be picked up at 10:00 A.M. on Sunday, September 28, 2008. Webelos and a parent/guardian will be invited to spend Saturday night with a Troop. I have included a Permission Slip and Health Form with this handout. The completed Permission Slip Health Form on Slip and your \$25.00 payment may be returned at our Scout meeting on September 21 or September 28, 2008. If you will only be coming out for the day on Saturday, please see Mr. Hussar for a different Permission Slip and Health Form on Sept. 8 and return this on Sept. 15, 2008. The fee for Saturday only, including a patch and lunch, will be \$10.00 / person.

- **Scoutmaster Troop Leader Training**

If you are elected or selected for a leadership position you will be expected to attend the Scoutmaster Junior Leader Training program to be held at a time and location yet to be determined. Most likely this training will take place on Saturday, October 17, 2009. If you will be unable to attend that training then you might take that into consideration when we are holding elections. FEW, if any, exceptions will be made for this training session.

- **Dropping Out or Transferring**

Each year we lose a few Scouts for various reasons. This year Justin Morrow and his family moved to southern Ohio and I completed the paperwork for Justin so that he may give it to his new units leaders. He has expressed a sincere interest in attending summer camp with us in 2010. If you will not be returning for the new Scout year, or if you have transferred to another Scout Troop, please call Mr. Hussar 810-569-4091 or Mr. McDonald 810-845-5495 and let one or both of them know. Before just dropping out of Scouting perhaps you should try another Boy Scout Troop. We are all Scouts but Troops have different ideas for Troop program and meetings. It would be nice if you could tell us why you are not returning but it is not necessary that you do so. If you have dropped out and would like to turn in your uniform you may stop in at any Scout meeting and see either Mr. McDonald or Mr. Hussar to do so or call either of them.

- **October Canoe Trip**

The calendar has a day canoe trip on it from Heavener's Canoe Livery in Milford. This is scheduled for Saturday, October 3, 2009. Mr. Adams and Mr. Galvin are working out the details so more information will be forthcoming and this may even turn into an overnight adventure ending on Sunday. To keep it a Scout function there are some rules which must be strictly adhered too and those will also be forthcoming.

- **2009-2010 Scout Year Calendar**

The PRELIMINARY Calendar for the new Scout year has been posted on the Troop Website and a finalized version might be available at the picnic and will be online as soon as it has been finalized, possibly by Thursday, August 27, 2009.

I look forward to our new Scout year with anticipation and the program which has been put together as well as activities and opportunities which might come along BUT I also look forward to it with some trepidation and need to say that additional help is needed from the parents of our Scouts at both weekly meetings and at activities. If this year's interest by parent's continues then the trepidation is without grounds. THANKS!

Thanks to all for the 2008-2009 Scout Year,

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Troop 219 Skill-O-Rama and Campout
Friday, October 8 through Sunday, October 10, 2009
(Silver Lake Park, Fenton, Michigan)

EQUIPMENT LIST

SUGGESTIONS ONLY=check your Boy Scout Handbook for more information.

Bring outer wear and clothing appropriate for the weather. This will be a tent campout - the Troop will provide the tents.

- Official Scout Uniform • Boy Scout Handbook
- Personal First Aid Kit-see 2nd Class Requirement for first aid
- Poncho / Rain gear • 1 Complete Change of Clothing
- Field Activity Uniform-T-SHIRT AND HAT-weather permitting
- Pajamas or something to change into for bed
- Sleeping Bag and 1 blanket or 2-3 blankets
- Ground Cloth • Ground Pad • Pillow
- Flashlight-extra batteries • Canteen or water bottle with holder
- Insect repellent-pump or lotion-**non aerosol**
- Toilet Articles-soap, towel, washcloth, comb, toothbrush and
toothpaste and whatever else you might need.
- Scout Knife-if you have your Totin'Chip Card,
- Compass
- Personal eating utensils (knife, fork, spoon, insulated cup or mug, plate, bowl)

•• NO ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT OR GAMES

Troop 219 Skill-O-Rama and Campout
October 8-October 10, 2009
PERMISSION SLIP & HEALTH FORM
(RETURN-WITH \$25.00 PAYMENT AT SEPT. 21st or 28th SCOUT MEETING)

REGISTRATION: Adult or Scout's Name _____

Method of Payment: Individual's Account _____ OR
 Check Amount and Number _____ OR
 Cash _____

_____ (name) has my permission to attend the Troop 219 Skill-O-Rama and Campout from 6:00 P.M. Friday, October 8 through 10:00 A.M. Sunday, October 10, 2009 at Silver Lake Park, Fenton, Michigan. Transportation will be arranged for by each Scout's parent/guardian since this campout is in the Fenton area. Scouts should be dropped off with their equipment at Silver Lake Park on Jennings Rd. at 6:00 P.M. on Friday and picked up again at 10:00 A.M. on Sunday.

Have dinner prior to arrival Friday evening.

In the event of an emergency, and I cannot be reached by telephone or other reasonable means, I hereby give my permission to the physician selected by the adult leader in charge to hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, order injections, surgery and do whatever appears medically necessary for my child.

Medical Insurance Company: _____

Medical Insurance Numbers: _____

Allergies or other medical information: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date- _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Tel. No: () _____ Alternate Tel. No: () _____

Person to contact in an emergency if parent/guardian cannot be reached:

Name: _____ Relationship to Scout: _____

Telephone Number: () _____