

# Troop 219 Informational Handout

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## ● Troop Junior Leader Training (SMJLT)

This training will again be held in conjunction with Troop 212, this time with them hosting. Be at the **Fenton Methodist Church before 9:00AM THIS SATURDAY, June 7, 2003, in full Scout Uniform.** Unless excused by the SPL or Scoutmaster, Scouts who were elected or appointed to the following positions must attend: SPL, ASPL, Patrol Leader, OA Troop Representative, Scribe, and Librarian. All other Scouts (especially Assistant Patrol Leaders) are welcome and invited to attend. There is no charge for this event and lunch is provided as part of the curriculum. Expect the training to be over about 2:00PM.

## ● Summer Camp Parent Orientation

A meeting designed to finalize all of the details for Scouts attending Summer Camp this year is scheduled for 7:00 PM on Monday, June 30, 2003. All Scouts planning to attend camp, along with one or more parents/guardians should attend. Some summer camp information may be distributed before this meeting but this is where important information about ***this year's*** policies, schedules, etc. is distributed.

## ● Fenton Memorial Day Parade

19 Scouts and 2 adults attended and marched in the Fenton Memorial Day Parade. Historically that's a fair showing, but it is less than 1/3 of our currently registered Scouts.

## ● Mackinac Island Governor's Honor Guard

One Scout from Troop 219, Chad Brandon and Scoutmaster Larry Zimble were among 37 Scouts and 9 adults from Tall Pine Council who served at Mackinac Island and Fort Mackinac over the week just ended. It now seems settled that this activity will repeat annually on this same week for the foreseeable future. **It is an opportunity and an experience unmatched anywhere**, and Scouts should mark their calendars NOW and apply as soon as possible to attend next year (usually in December), for the week beginning Memorial Day Monday.

## ● NEW Advancement Chart Posted

There is a new advancement chart posted in the Troop meeting area, on the bulletin board. All Scouts should check their entries to ensure that the chart is up to date. If you notice any discrepancies or believe that erroneous information is posted, report it to Mr. Hussar as soon as possible.

## ● Equipment Losses and Equipment Cleaning

*from Michael Hussar – Troop Committee QM*

This past weekends campout was really rough on equipment. Of course the weather did not help much but from all accounts the Scouts who attended did hold up very well. The equipment did not fare quite as well.

Mr. Hussar took home three of the wet tents to hang up and dry out before they are repacked. The first tent was missing the pole bag and stake bag and only had two of its 8 tent stakes. The second tent was missing the stake bag and all 6 of its stakes. The third tent has not yet been inventoried. The missing items may have been missing from the last time tents were taken home by Scouts after Dorchester-which was not only wet but also very windy for awhile.

The chef's kit for two patrol boxes had not been repacked or were repacked but dirty. One cook kit was a total disaster. At least one of the large stoves was not cleaned before being turned in to be packed into the trailer. Moving to a "boy-run" unit is not without its pains but all of the Scouts need to be aware of how to care for equipment and then to make sure it happens. The "new" Scouts will only learn from the "older" Scouts and, especially with personal eating equipment and the patrol cooking gear, cleanliness is something which must be done correctly EVERY time. You only need to get sick once to realize how important this step is. We would rather that you did not get sick at all and just believe that it is not an exciting or enjoyable experience.

As you unpacked and cleaned up your personal stuff from this past weekend you may have come upon

things which were not yours. Please bring any troop or personal items that are not yours to the next Scout meeting so that the stuff may be returned to its rightful owner. Check your mess kit (or plate, bowl and cup/glass), and your silverware and make sure that it is indeed clean.

• **Troop Committee Meeting**

The next troop committee meeting is Wednesday, June 18, 2003 at 7:00PM at the church. We strongly urge the **parents of ALL SCOUTS in the troop to attend** these meetings. The ongoing success of Troop 219 demands the dedicated involvement of *many* adults – especially YOU!

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