

Troop 219 Informational Handout

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- **Troop Meeting for April 6, 2009:**

The Troop Calendar states that there will be no Troop Meeting on Monday, April 6, 2009. This is a correct statement and is due to the fact that Fenton, Lake Fenton, Linden and Hartland schools will be out for spring break. Powers and, I believe, St. John will be out the week after Easter for their break.

- **First Year Scout Campouts-wrap-up and upcoming in April:**

The first year Scout Campout was held this past weekend. Participants included: Shannon Schiess-Senior Patrol Leader, Justin Morrow-Troop Guide, Thomas Pilarski-Troop Guide, Tristen Ainsworth, John Galvin, Asa Green, Alex Hamady, Josh Morgan, Chris Swaw, Noah Bauer, Michael Laetz, Jonathan Nolkemper, and Tyler Ogle. Mr. Adams was accompanied by Mr. Galvin, Mr. Green, Mr. Laetz and Mr. Morgan. I do not think that I missed any of the adults. Several of our younger Assistant Scoutmasters went out on Friday and set up a compass course. I am not sure if any of the came out again on Saturday to help Mr. Adams run it with the new Scouts or not.

There will be a second campout for the first year Scouts on the last weekend of April. This will be held in conjunction with a Wilderness campout. The details on the wilderness campout have not been worked out yet but more will be known and announced on the meetings of April 13 and April 20, 2009.

- **Dorchester International Brotherhood Camporee**

The 20th Dorchester International Brotherhood Camporee (DIBC) will take place on Friday, May 8, Saturday, May 9 and Sunday, May 10, 2009 in London, Ontario Canada. We will depart on Friday from the parking lot at Fenton Collision at 4:00 P.M. Please arrive BEFORE that time so that your personal gear may be loaded up.

Mr. Miller had Permission Slips available at the Court of Honor on Monday, March 23, 2009. He still has paper copies of the paperwork for anyone who still needs it. I will include parts of Mr. Miller's email to me again for everyone: "This will be our troop's 13th year of attending this international camporee. Beginning this year we will have a new requirement of a valid passport. The previous requirement of a State ID and birth certificate will NO longer be acceptable. There still is enough time to get an expedited passport in time for the camporee if you apply soon - contact the post office for passport information. The permission slip will be due on Monday, April 27, 2009."

FROM MR. HUSSAR: I looked into the requirements for a Passport Card. For ground travel into and out of Canada you may apply for a Passport Card instead of a Passport Book. The processing time for the Passport Card is shorter than applying for a Passport Book.

If you have any questions regarding the camporee, please see Mr. Miller, who will be our tour leader again this year.

- **Mackinaw Island Scout Service Troop**

We currently have four Scouts, Jordan Dagenais, Adam Eggleston Ethan Fegan and Jacob Seavey, who will be members of the 2009 Mackinaw Island Scout Service Troop. The next MISST Troop meeting will be this Wednesday, April 1 2009. **This will be the last date for which someone may add themselves to the MISST Troop roster.** See Mr. Hussar if you have questions.

Jacob, Ethan and Jordan will ride to Lapeer with Mr. Hussar and should be at the church by 5:50 P.M. I will pick Adam up at the Grand Blanc Road McDonalds someplace around 6:00 P.M.

I will drop Adam off at the Speedway Gas Station on Grand Blanc Road on the return trip and will drop Jacob off at home before taking Jordan to his home. Mr. Miller will take Ethan, and Aaron Morgan from Troop 212, home on the return trip since they live very close to each other.

- **Troop 219 Formal Court of Honor**

Our second Formal Court of Honor for the 2008-2009 Scout year went quite well. A number of Scouts were recognized for advancements, merit badges and participation in various activities since last October. The newly elected SPL, ASPL's and Patrol Leaders were installed as part of the ceremony.

I made a mistake as to which Scouts were signed up for National Youth Leadership Training. Jordan went through the course last year. Signed up for this year, so far, are Adam Eggleston and Christopher Koenigs knecht.

- **Friends of Scouting**

Mr. And Mrs. Baxter made our Friends of Scouting presentation. As it the past, whether you wish to make a donation or not please complete and turn in a card. If you are not making a donation just put a 0 (zero) down and sign the card. This may keep you from getting a call to make sure that you had the opportunity to participate. If you participated with a Pack just indicate that on the card and turn it in to Mr. Hussar so we can get these back to the council before they started making their follow-up telephone calls.

- **Troop 219 Summer Camp Swim Checks**

We will meet at the Fenton High School Pool on Monday, May 18, 2009, for summer camp swim checks. If you do not, or cannot, make it on that date you will be classified as a No. 1 swimmer and will have to do your swim check at Camp Tapico on Sunday afternoon. There will be a \$3.00 fee per participant and we will be there between 7 and 9 P.M.

• National Youth Leadership Training

The deadline to register for this at the discounted price is Tuesday, March 31, 2009. This takes place at Camp Holaka starting Sunday, June 14 and ending Friday evening, June 19, 2009. You must be at least 13 years of age and a First Class Scout to participate. I have applications if anyone else is interesting. Currently Adam Eggleston and Christopher Koenighsknect are registered to participate. The Troop will pay 50% of the (discounted) Course Fee. If you have questions please see me.

• Summer Camp Physicals

Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4H or any Summer Camp requiring a doctor exam. Youth and Adults. \$15.00. Wednesday, April 22, 2009, **5:00 P.M. until done** (Please be there by 6:00 P.M. at the latest). Dr. Ewin Delange's Office, 3273 Davison Rd., Lapeer, next to the Polar Palace Ice Arena. Adults bring proof of negative TB test. Wear Shorts and t-shirts. Bring a book as you may be there for awhile. I will be participating in this event just to have a Health Form good for the Mackinaw Island Scout Troop.

• Important Dates:

- Monday, March 23, 2009--First year camper Camp Out Permission Slip and Payments due to Troop.
- Monday, April 6, 2009--NO TROOP MEETING.
- Monday, April 13, 2009--Permission Slip and Payment for the second First Year Scout campout and Wilderness Campout are due.
- Friday, April 24, 2009—Depart for First Year and Wilderness Campouts at Camp Holaka. We need a leader for the wilderness campout as Mr. Hussar will not be available for the weekend due to MISST Commitment.
- Monday, April 27, 2009--Permission Slip and Payment for the 20th Anniversary of the Dorchester International Brotherhood Camporee in London, Ontario, Canada.
- Friday, May 8, 2009--depart for 20th DIBC at 4:00 P.M. Bring money for dinner on the road near Port Huron.
- Sunday, May 10, 2009--return from 20th DIBC around 2:00 P.M. Have money for lunch on the road again.
- Monday, May 11, 2009--TROOP MEETING--final Summer Camp Payment to the Troop.
- Monday, May 25, 2009--MARCH in the Fenton Memorial Day Parade
- Monday, June 1, 2009--TROOP MEETING
- Saturday, June 6, 2009—3 Scouts needed at 7:30 A.M. to set up for the First Presbyterian Church Blood Drive and then again at 2:15 P.M. to tear down from the blood drive, reload the American Red Cross Van and set up the Social Room and Library for Church on Sunday.
- Monday, June 8, 2009--TROOP MEETING
- Monday, June 15, 2009--Last formal TROOP MEETING FOR THE 2008-2009 Scout year
- Monday, June 22, 2009--Formal Court of Honor #3 followed by Summer Camp Participant and Parent Meeting
- Saturday, June 27, 2009--Summer Camp equipment inventory, cleaning, repacking and preliminary trailer loading
- Monday, June 29, 2009--Patrol Leader Conference to plan the 2009-2010 Scout year activities calendar
- Wednesday, July 1, 2009--Summer Camp Equipment Drop-off, including bike and helmet, 6:30-8:30 P.M.
- Thursday, July 2, 2009--Summer Camp Equipment Drop-off, including bike and helmet, 6:30-8:30 P.M.
- Saturday, July 4, 2009 March in Fenton Freedom Festival Parade--meet at church at 9:00 A.M.
- Sunday, July 5, 2009 Depart for summer camp at Camp Tapico at 8:00 A.M.
- Saturday, July 11, 2009, Return from summer camp at Camp Tapico at 2:30 P.M. Dismissal at 3:00 P.M.
- Monday, August 17, 2009 6-9 P.M. Patrol Leader's Council Meeting to review plans for 2009-2010 Scout Year and the September meeting plans.
- Wednesday, August 19, 2009 Troop Committee Meeting, committee members and parents are invited and encouraged to attend.
- Monday, August 24, 2009 6-8:30 P.M. Troop Potluck Picnic at Bush Park, Troop provides burgers dogs, buns and condiments. Families bring place settings and a dish to pass. Scouts bring stuff for games (volleyball, soccer, basketball or whatever).

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