

Troop 68 Patrol Leader Council Notes

Date: 1-23-12

Scouts Present:

Suren Mark
Ben Evan
SPL Simon Spencer
Samuel L.

Leaders Present:

Scoutmaster Mr. Livingston
Parent Coord. Mrs. Ostroski

Activities/Camping:

NOTE: If interested in Baden Powell Institute in Canton @ Stark Tech Feb. 4th, pre-registration needs to be in by Friday, January 27. Free lunch as part of your tuition. Cost is \$22.00. You are responsible for getting there and back on your own as we are NOT going together as a troop.

January Campout Review: Klondike Derby at PeeWee Hollow. Highlights included snow, snow, and more snow for this perfect polar bear weekend. The boys found the snowy weekend to be both a challenge and a pleasure. 11 boys and 6 leaders attended.

February campout will be our annual "Hotel Campout" (Feb. 17, 18, 19). Activities will be decided after the Troop looks into the cost of some of the boys' ideas. Friday night will take place at the Church, with the boys sleeping in the garage for their Polar Bear credits. Meet at the Church at **7:00 p.m.** Bring a snack to share. Bring games and activities to share Friday night; electronic games ARE permissible, but they must be approved by the Scoutmaster. Saturday morning, get up, eat breakfast, and leave to go to location TBD (To Be Decided). Saturday evening, go to hotel, eat, and swim. The cost is **\$20** per person, which includes food and hotel.

March campout is not set in stone yet, although the date will be March 16, 17, 18. (Possibility of participating in Good Turn Weekend.)

Summer Camp is July 22-28 this year (2012). We'll need to know who wants to go by February 6 so we can get our Early Bird registration money turned in. Total cost is \$250. Mr. Norris will be prepared to tell Scouts/parents how much they have in their individual camp accounts at the January 30th Court of Honor.

Fundraising/Community Service:

Scout Sunday will be held February 5th at Church of the Cross United Methodist. Be at the Church in full Class A uniform at 8:30 AM. The service starts at 9:15 AM. Please contact Mr. Livingston if there is something specific you would like to do for the service. -- If you participate in Scout Sunday at Church of the Cross, then you and your family are also invited to a bowling party at the College of Wooster Lowry Center from 12:00 to 1:45 PM. You may bring your immediate family and any scouting-age friends that might like to have a good time.

The Troop 68 Memorabilia Trade-o-ree and Annual Pancake Breakfast will be Saturday, February 11. This starts the fundraising season of 2012, which is money to be used in 2013. Sign-up sheets will be out at each meeting prior to the event. -- The Philmont Crew will also have a silent auction at the Trade-o-ree for goods and/or services.

Meeting Plans:

Monday 1/30: Court of Honor. FOS presentation. Possible presentation by Dr. Moodispaw of T-61 regarding National Jamboree 2013. Get your hours account report from Mr. Norris this evening. Mark M. will be acting SPL this evening. Remember: If anyone needs a Board of Review, they must contact Mr. Livingston by tonight so it can be scheduled for 2/6!

Monday 2/6 – Rank Advancement. Older scouts to teach younger scouts in a rotation of 3 stations on the following topics: 1) Lashings (led by Spencer), 2) First Aid (led by Ben), 3) Orienteering (led by Mark & Suren. Bring your books to get checked off!

Monday 2/13 – **Guest teacher Mr. Senn** regarding Communications Merit Badge. (This is an Eagle-required merit badge.) -- Philmont Crew meeting immediately after the regular meeting. Remember, guys, Mr. Livingston needs your "bag color choices."

Monday 2/20 – Patrol Leader Council meeting

Monday 2/27 – Work on advancement. Bring your books! Remember, boys, if you need to achieve a rank in order to get your pipestone at summer camp, you need to buckle down and get busy!