

Troop 41 Newsletter

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JUNE EVENTS

(Dates below supersede those in the Annual Program Plan if different)

Monthly Theme: Summer Camp Prep

Reminder: The activity shirt may be worn from Memorial Day to Labor Day at each meeting

- Jun 6 (Wed) - Committee & Parent/Scout Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- Jun 13 (Wed) - Scout Meeting/PLC during meeting
- Jun 13 (Wed) - **Final Camp payment for Chawanakee of \$200 is due.**
- Jun 14 (Thu) - **Flag Retirement – for American Legion in Cal City – meet: Rec Bldg. 6:00 p.m. Return: 8:30 p.m.**
- Jun 15-17 (Fri-Sun) - **Beach Campout – Camp Pendleton.**
- Jun 20 (Wed) - Scout Meeting/Board of Review
- Jun 23 (Sat) - Newspaper Recycling (Driver: Open) – Sign up on the Activity Clipboard
- Jun 27 (Wed) - **Scout Meeting/Medical Forms AB due for everyone and Form C due for those attending Chawanakee.**
- Jul 4 (Wed) - **No Meetings – Happy July 4th!**

Camp Pendleton – June 15-17, 2018

Note: This is a beach campout at the Naval Base – a bit expensive, but right on the beach which you can't find at other campsites.

- Last Day for Signups: May 30 - **ABSOLUTELY NO SIGN-UPS AFTER THIS DATE – rare exceptions are at SM's discretion!**
- Food/Gas/Site Fee Money: **DUE June 13** – \$65 (\$10 food+\$19 gas+\$36 site fee) – **Cash only - two exact amounts (\$10 & \$55)**
- Site Fee – **Adults only: \$36**
- Pack Checks: June 6 & 13 (**Mandatory – no pack check and you don't go!**)
- Meet: **4:45 p.m. Jun 15 @ Rec Bldg. (Wear Field Uniform!) Eat dinner before leaving home, and be on time or be left behind!**
- Return: **Approximately 2:30 p.m. June 17 @ Rec Bldg. (Parents – please be at home an hour before in case we are early)**
- Special Equipment: whatever you normally take to have fun at the beach.
- Other Expenses: \$ 7.00 for lunch on return.
- Drivers: *Only the driver pulling the trailer will be reimbursed for gasoline for any activity (per Troop 41 Guidebook). All other drivers are to consider their gasoline expenditure a donation to the troop.*
- Emergency Contact: Charla Troup – 256-8652 (home) or 609-7436 (cell)

PARENTS NOTE! Any Scout who owes dues in arrears or any other monies owed to the Troop, whose parent has not signed the activity sheet, or who has not paid his food/gas money or had a pack check by the due date will not be allowed to attend!

Valley Forge Backpacking – (May 13-15) The backpacking trip to a beautiful camp called Valley Forge started off fine on Friday night with an overnight stay at Mr. Cooper's house. Saturday morning they traveled to the starting point, and backpacked 2.5 miles nearly all downhill to their campsite beside the San Gabriel River, under a canopy of trees in a very quiet setting. They ate dinner as a troop, learning how to cook beef stroganoff. Overall, they did great and 1000% better than Mr. Cooper had thought they would. On Sunday morning they hiked out 30 minutes faster than the Scouts did three years ago. It was a great weekend for the new Scouts, who learned a lot and had some excellent experiences.

Court of Honor – Kamar called the Court of Honor to order and welcomed everyone, then passed it on to Mr. Cooper who proceeded to give out the awards: **Service Stars:** Gary Cooper - 8 yrs. Cade DeVere - 5 yrs. Alex Christensen 3 - yrs. He then passed out the Midway patches/certificates, camporee patches and LA National Cemetery patches followed by advancements. **Merit Badges:** Stephen Marvin – Swimming, Life Saving, Personal Fitness. Kamar Stephens – Camping. Wesley Cascio – Swimming, Lifesaving. Simon Ross – Swimming, Life Saving, Athletics. **Rank:** **Tenderfoot** – Chris Nollinger; **1st Class** – Stephen Marvin, Wesley Cascio; **2nd Class & 1st Class** – Simon Ross; **Star** - Kamar Stephens. This was followed by a slide show of the events and outings since March, with an explanation to the parents about what was happening and why. Mr. Cooper emphasized in the Scoutmaster's Minute that accepting the challenge and encouraging all Scouts to always participate for experience and growth is what is most important. He also pointed out that this is why the troop camps each month – Scouts gain experience, develop, grow, and earn rank. All Scouts especially are encouraged to keep on coming to all the events. Kamar then closed the Court of Honor and thanked everyone for coming.

Camp Cards Available – We have camp cards available and they **MUST** be sold. For any Scouts going to Chawanakee this is a last chance to earn money to pay for camp.! Please see Dan DeVere if you want cards – but only take as many as you know you can sell. Thank you.

LA National Cemetery – (May 26) Once again the Scouts helped decorate over 88,000 graves for Memorial Day. The troop joined with 4,000-plus Scouts from the LA area, placing flags on the graves of those who gave their lives in service to our country. The troop was joined by Pack 41 and together they placed flags on over 250 graves. The special highlight was honoring Henry Harvey, a Congressional Medal of Honor recipient from the Philippine American War in 1899. A Scout read his citation: "Served in battle against the enemy at Benictican. Throughout this action and in the presence of the enemy, Harvey distinguished himself by meritorious conduct". His Medal was awarded to him on July 19, 1901.

PARENT DRIVERS NEEDED FOR TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM CAMP CHAWANKEE

17 Scouts/Adults attending – please sign up on the Activity Clipboard by June 20. Only three adults are attending so we need rides for seven Scouts. A parent may drive on Sunday or Saturday or both days. Once we have all the drivers we will coordinate with those picking up on Saturday July 21. They will leave here at 5:30 a.m. More details will be in the July Newsletter, but signups on the clipboard with how many you can take will help us figure it out. Thank you.

Newsletter in PDF – Several parents have asked that the newsletter be sent electronically. It is in PDF format so it's easy to open on any device. If you are interested in receiving it electronically, please let Anthony know. Thank you.

Fund Raisers – Parents, did you know that BSA wants every Scout to earn their own way to camp through money they earn? If not, per BSA, "the boy will not learn how to pay his own way." Also, "anticipated expenses not covered by dues...must be raised through troop money-earning projects." We offer three fund raisers throughout the year, Christmas Trees, curb stenciling, and camp cards, and it is very important that you encourage your son to participate in them to earn all he can for summer camp with maximum effort.

Tent Policy – Per Troop Guidebook: All troop tents will be lent to a Scout and a buddy, in good condition with no rips, tears, broken poles or zippers. The tent will be in the charge of the Scouts who will care for it. Should any damage occur through other than normal use, the Scout is responsible for the repair or replacement of the tent. The Scoutmaster, along with the Equipment Coordinator, will determine if the damage was done by the Scouts mishandling the tent or through normal use. If determination is made that the Scouts did the damage, the parents will be notified, and an arrangement will be made for the repair or replacement of the tent.

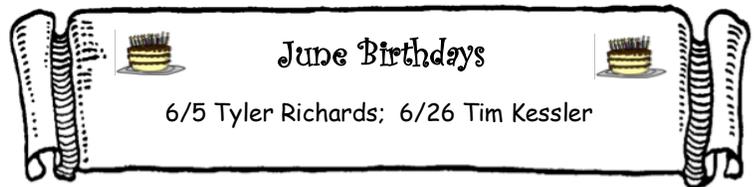
PLC Meeting Mandatory Attendance – The Troop policy is as follows: "As part of their duties, attendance at the monthly PLC meeting is MANDATORY for all Scouts who are members of the PLC - the SPL, ASPL, PL's, Troop Guide and Scribe who is not a member, but must attend. Failure to attend a minimum of four meetings in a six-month period will affect the Scout Spirit requirement on the rank they are working on, thereby causing a delay of from four to six months to be eligible for that rank. If unable to attend due to illness or family vacation, they MUST have their assistant attend the meeting. If the assistant then does not attend the meeting, no credit for attendance will be given - simply asking someone to attend is insufficient. A Scout may only substitute for one absent leader at a time – each absent leader must send his own substitute."

Mandatory Scout Parent Participation – Every parent must sign up for at least one short-term project during the year. It can be anything from transportation on a campout to a fundraiser or Scouting for Food. You may be contacted at any time.



Eagle Summit

George McNamee 1948	Brenden Troup 2009
Murray Omer Williford 1977	Cesar Renteria 2010
Bruce Eliotte Tipton 1982	Matthew Bryant 2011
Daniel C. Perkins 1986	Tyler Kurtz 2012
Nikki Johnson 1990	Michael Bedard 2012
James Spear 2000	Doug Long 2013
Chris Shaw 2001	Geoffrey Holmes 2013
William Lostumbo 2001	Sean Cooper 2015
Arturo Renteria 2008	



6/5 Tyler Richards; 6/26 Tim Kessler

Uniform Closet – Uniform and uniform parts are available at the District Office for those in need. Please donate to the closet if you have used uniforms – they are greatly needed. Thank you!

TROOP 41 STAFF

American Legion Chartered Organization Representative – Max Dueno (256-9431)

Scoutmaster – Gary Cooper (505 918-6786) nutmocoops@me.com

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Outdoor/Activities Coordinator – Vacant

Training Coordinator – Rich Mondoux (760 373-2120)

New Member Coordinator - Vacant

Secretary – Kinsey Marvin – (661 483-7352)

Advancement Coordinator – Josi Bryant (661 256-4039)

Fundraising Coordinator – Dan DeVere (661 400-5040)

Equipment Coordinator – Mike Bedard (661 754-2865)

If you have any questions about information in this newsletter, please call Anthony Moreno