

# Troop 41 Newsletter

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### NOVEMBER EVENTS

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

#### Monthly Theme: Fitness

**Reminder:** The *field uniform* is to be worn from Labor Day to Memorial Day at each meeting

- Nov 7 (Wed) - Parent-Committee/Scout Meeting
- Nov 9-11 (Fri-Sun) - ROCstock with Webelos IIs
- Nov 14 (Wed) - Scout Meeting/PLC during meeting/Board of Review
- Nov 14 (Wed) - Tree Order Due (final payment due)
- Nov 21 (Wed) - No Meeting – Happy Thanksgiving
- Nov 28 (Wed) - Court of Honor - Bring your favorite dessert. **ALL** parents & Scouts must attend to show their support regardless of whether or not they are receiving an award and come and see slides of the last few months.
- Dec 1 (Sat) - Scouting for Food – bag distribution 8:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (All Scouts must participate)

### ROCstock – Lucerne Dry Lake – November 9-11, 2018

Please note: Temperatures will be in the high 60's during the day and high 30's at night

- Last Day for Signups: November 7 - **ABSOLUTELY NO SIGN-UPS AFTER THIS DATE – rare exceptions are at SM's discretion!**
- Food/Gas/Site Fee Money: **DUE November 7** – \$24 (\$10 food+\$14 gas+\$0 site fee) – **Exact Cash only - (\$10 to grubmaster & \$14 to the troop)**
- Pack Checks: Nov 7 (**Mandatory – no pack check and you don't go!**)
- Meet: 4:45 p.m. November 9 @ Rec Bldg. (**Wear Field Uniform!**) *Eat dinner before leaving home* and be on time or be left behind!
- Return: *Approximately Noon, November 11* @ Rec Bldg. (Parents – please be at home an hour before in case we are early)
- Special Equipment: Jacket for night and winter sleeping bag: 30-degree bag or warmer or summer bag with a liner.
- Other Expenses: \$10 - \$20 for extra motors if needed.
- 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, nor will he receive any awards.

**Note:** Emerald Bay date change! Our new date is July 21-27, 2019. Please update your Annual Plan or download a new one from our website.

**Mountain Oak** – (Oct 19-21) Seven Scouts had fun hiking up 9,407-foot Mt. Baden-Powell on Saturday. The weather was really sunny and cool with clear skies at the top, so you could see the entire Antelope Valley and Los Angeles. Up top the Scouts took time to read the plaques on the monument dedicated to Baden-Powell by the Scouts in 1957, learning how he stressed the benefits of Scouting. They ate lunch while gazing at the mountains and cities below and enjoyed their accomplishment of a great climb. They gained 2,788 feet in elevation on the way up and navigated 40 switchbacks. It was a strenuous hike, but all the Scouts did very well while showing what kind of courage they really have. Once back down the mountain, they headed to camp where they rested and then prepared dinner. The campfire was all about improv, and the Scouts enjoyed the challenges and fun of performing skits for nearly two hours. Sunday morning began another beautiful day as they prepared a great breakfast of scrambled eggs before cleaning up camp and heading for home. This was a truly wonderful weekend of fantastic hiking and great fun!

**Election Results** – SPL: Devonn Veasey; ASPL: Wesley Long; PL Rattlesnakes: Ian Dirgo and APL: Kamar Stephens; PL Vikings: Simon Ross and APL: Ethan Mondoux; PL Lightning: Landon Wyckhuys and APL: Damian Leon; Historian: Brenden Taylor; Scribe: Simon Ross; Quartermaster: Caden Robertson; Librarian: TBD; OA Rep: TBD; Chaplain Aide: TBD; Den Chief: N/A; Instructor: N/A; Troop Guide: Cade DeVere; JASM (Junior Assistant Scoutmaster): N/A. Congratulations to everyone as they begin their six-month term.

**Scouting for Food** – PARENTS PLEASE NOTE: **Saturday December 1** we will once again participate in Scouting for Food and need your help. Each year we only get a few Scouts to help out the first weekend, but many more on the next weekend when we pick up the food. We understand that walking the streets and distributing bags is not the most fun thing in the world, but this is a very important community service we are doing. We plan on distributing 2,000 bags, our usual, and need at least ten Scouts to participate. It will make the job much easier. PLEASE encourage your sons to sign up for BOTH Saturdays on the activity clipboard. Thank you.

**Emerald Bay (July 21-27, 2019)** – The price is \$674 per Scout and \$524 for adults. Since this is a council camp, **camperships are available** this year for up to 50%, but the Scout has to earn money and contribute to his camp savings to qualify. See Mr. Cooper or Mr. Moreno if you have questions on campership. Since we applied for early bird discount our final payment is due in March with 1<sup>st</sup> payment of \$100 due Jan 9, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$100 - Feb 13.

**Dues** – are \$52 per year and all Scouts are required to pay that amount whether or not they are at a meeting. A Scout must be current in his dues to participate in outings, receive awards, re-charter, or even earn rank until he is once again current. Records are kept by the Scribe and Mr. Paravato. The dues sheet is with the Activity Clipboard showing what each Scout has paid or owes to date. See Mr. Paravato for questions.

**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, Popcorn, Christmas Trees, 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  
Murray Omer Williford 1977  
Bruce Eliotte Tipton 1982  
Daniel C. Perkins 1986  
Nikki Johnson 1990  
James Spear 2000  
Chris Shaw 2001  
William Lostumbo 2001  
Arturo Renteria 2008

Brenden Troup 2009  
Cesar Renteria 2010  
Matthew Bryant 2011  
Tyler Kurtz 2012  
Michael Bedard 2012  
Doug Long 2013  
Geoffrey Holmes 2013  
Sean Cooper 2015



11/9 Frank Paravato  
11/29 Mike Bedard

**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

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