

Newsletter – Scouts BSA Troop 41 for Boys

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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 4 (Wed)** - Parent-Committee/Scout Meeting 7 p.m.
- Nov 11 (Wed)** - Scout Meeting/PLC during meeting/Board of Review
- Nov 11 (Wed)** - **Re-charter Wreath Money DUE (final payment)**
- Nov 18 (Wed)** - **Court of Honor** - Eat your favorite dessert at home. **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.
- Nov 25 (Wed)** - *No Meeting – Happy Thanksgiving!*

Dues and Re-charter Fees – If you did not turn in your dues money in September please do so now. This can be done monthly if you wish. Just collect it at home and turn it in by placing your dues in an envelope with your name on it and putting it under the doormat at Anthony's house. Please E-mail or text him that you have dropped off your envelope so we can pick it up. Thank you.

Dues: So as not to get too far behind in dues please pay your dues to stay current. As of now dues owed and dues paid are in Scoutbook and will be there from this point on. You won't have to look at another sheet to see where your son is on dues. To see the dues, log into Scoutbook and click on your son's account. Scroll down and click on "Payment Log." In the upper right you will see a balance. It might say -\$30. That's what your son owes through Dec 31, 2020. You'll also notice it shows what he owes for this year and last year if he was in arrears. It's still recommended to pay weekly or monthly, and paying in advance is okay as well.

Re-charter Wreath Program October 14 – November 11 – This is the annual fundraiser we do each year at this time. Its purpose is to help Scouts raise funds for re-chartering as well as summer camp. This year's program is all online and very easy to do, so start making a list of potential wreath buyers/ supporters.

How it works: Since re-chartering fees are due at the end of October, a Scout may borrow from his Camp Savings for re-charter fees the dollar amount he thinks he might sell in wreathes. Then when the wreath profits come in December, he could replenish what he borrowed from his Camp Savings if he wishes.. For questions on the wreath program please e-mail Dan DeVere at: danloan@aol.com

SPECIAL NOTICE!

Status of Meetings and Events in November and Beyond - Effective August 16 per LA County Rules: Overnight camping is prohibited at this time. In addition, Western Los Angeles County Council has asked units to continue to refrain from in-person troop meetings until further notice.

Note: *Even though we are in Kern County, we are under Western Los Angeles County Council for Scouting purposes and are asked to follow Council rules until further notice. Therefore, we will not have meetings, outdoor activities, or camping at this time.*

Troop Meetings: All troop meetings will be done virtually on Zoom during the month of November.

Outdoor Activities: All outdoor activities are cancelled until further notice (see above).

smile.amazon.com – At no additional cost to you, Amazon has a program in which they will donate a portion of your purchase to support the **Western Los Angeles County Council**. Just use <http://amzn.to/1L7b8nj> to search for and buy your items. Amazon will then send a percentage of your transaction amount to support WLACC. The Amazon smile program runs year-round so please make sure to use our special link each time you shop **smile.amazon.com** for all of your purchases. We thank you for your support.

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 Wreathes, 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	Matthew Bryant 2011
Murray Omer Williford 1977	Tyler Kurtz 2012
Bruce Eliotte Tipton 1982	Michael Bedard 2012
Daniel C. Perkins 1986	Doug Long 2013
Nikki Johnson 1990	Geoffrey Holmes 2013
James Spear 2000	Sean Cooper 2015
Chris Shaw 2001	Cade DeVere 2018
William Lostumbo 2001	Devonn Veasey 2019
Arturo Renteria 2008	Alan Rennie 2019
Brenden Troup 2009	Kamar Stephens 2019
Cesar Renteria 2010	



Frank Paravato 11/9
David Murray 11/10
Mike Bedard 11/29

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! (*At this time the district office is closed until further notice.*)

TROOP 41 STAFF

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