

Troop 41 Newsletter

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SEPTEMBER EVENTS

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

Monthly Theme: Backpacking

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

- Sep 5 (Wed) - Parent-Committee/Scout Meeting
- Sep 12 (Wed) - Scout Meeting/PLC during meeting
- Sep 14-16 (Fri-Sun) - BP – Chicken Spring Lake/Horseshoe Meadow
- Sep 19 (Wed) - Scout Meeting/Board of Review
- Sep 22 (Sat) - Newspaper Recycling (Driver: Open) – Sign up on the Activity Clipboard
- Sep 22 (Sat) - **Armed Forces Appreciation Day Parade** (Scouts are to participate) – Meet at Hummel Hall on the southeast corner at 9:30 a.m.; pick up at the Rec Bldg. following the parade. See Activity clipboard for sign-ups.
- Sep 26 (Wed) - Scout Meeting/**Webelos II Workshop #1**/Position Apps Distributed
- Sep 29 (Sat) - Cade DeVere's Eagle Project – follow his announcements for details.

Chicken Spring Lake/Horseshoe Meadow – September 14-16, 2018

Please note: Horseshoe is at 10,000 feet while Chicken Spring Lake is at 11,258 feet. Scouts 14 years and older will backpack to Chicken Spring. All those under 14 years of age will only hike at Horseshoe – no backpacking

- Last Day for Signups: September 5 - **ABSOLUTELY NO SIGN-UPS AFTER THIS DATE – rare exceptions are at SM's discretion!**
- Food/Gas/Site Fee Money: **DUE September 12** – \$15 (\$10 food+\$0 gas+\$5 site fee) – **Exact Cash only - (\$10 to grubmaster & \$5 to the troop)**
- Pack Checks: Sep 5 & 12 (**Mandatory – no pack check and you don't go!**)
- Meet: **4:45 p.m. Sep 14 @ Rec Bldg. (Wear Field Uniform!)** Eat dinner *before leaving home* and be on time or be left behind!
- Return: *Approximately 2:30 p.m. September 16 @ Rec Bldg. (Parents – please be at home an hour before in case we are early)*
- Special Equipment: *Light jacket for night. For all Scouts backpacking take Mr. Cooper's advice and follow it seriously*
- Other Expenses: **\$7 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!

Diaz Lake – (July 15-21) Sunshine and warm 74-degree water made for a weekend of fun with motor boating, kayaking, stand-up paddle boarding, and canoeing. The Scouts enjoyed sunshine from morning until late afternoon as they played, boated, and swam in the water all they wanted, ending the day with some great Dutch oven meals before falling asleep. It was an awesome weekend full of many fond memories and stories.

Court of Honor – (August 29) This month's Court of Honor was opened by SPL Kamar and turned over to Mr. Cooper. Dan DeVere presented our popcorn fundraiser to start off the year. **Service Stars** were presented: Scouts – **1 yr.** Simon, **3 yrs.** Ian; **6 yrs.** Kamar; Adults – **4 yrs.** Dan, **19 yrs.** Anthony. Patches for Camp Three Falls were then distributed. Mr. Cooper went on to the slide show and at various points paused to present patches from events the Scouts participated in starting with **Polar Bear**, then **COPE** (Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience), and then the swim tags. This was followed by patches for **Chieftain Run**, **Iron Bear**, **Climbing Wall**, and **Mile Swim**. He showed pictures of Chawanadayze competition and presented the Rattlesnake patrol with mementos for each place they earned: 3rd place in the bean bag toss, 2nd in the water bucket relay, and 1st in the waterfront relay. Daman was presented a certificate for the **Pioneer Hiker Award** he received at camp. After this everyone was given the **Camp Chawanakee** patch with the **Hunter** rocker. **Merit Badges:** **Wesley** – Climbing, First Aid; **Alex** – Archery, Climbing, Rifle Shooting; **Cade** – Personal Management, Environmental Management, Soil and Water, Energy, Geology; **Ian** – Communication, Leatherwork; **Damian** – Archery, Shotgun, Rifle, Wilderness Survival; **Stephen** – Swimming, Lifesaving, Personal Fitness, Rifle, Canoeing, Welding; **Caden** – Swimming, Wilderness Survival, Woodcarving; **Simon** – First Aid, Environmental Science, Horsemanship, Athletics, Robotics; **Kamar** – Citizenship in the World, First Aid, Personal Fitness; **Brenden** – Archery, Astronomy, Photography, Radio; **Devonn** – Communication; **Arturo** – Rifle, Wilderness Survival, Fishing, Photography; **Landen** – Swimming, Wilderness Survival. **World Conservation Award** – Devonn. **Advancements:** **Scout** – Caden, Landen, Damian, Brenden. **First Class** – Stephen. Gary and Melissa Cooper were presented with a \$100 gift card by the troop committee for allowing them the use of their home for meetings the past three years. Kamar then closed the Court of Honor.

Popcorn – Our year kicks off with popcorn sales, which are needed to help defray the cost of summer camp and also to help qualify for a campership for those requesting one. Sales end **October 10** and that’s when the “Take Order” forms must be turned in with money. Please see Dan DeVere if you have any questions.

Emerald Bay – July 14-20, 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 1st payment of **\$100 due Jan 9.**

Annual Plan – Enclosed is the 2018/2019 Annual Plan. Please mark your calendars for the year. Some parents ask what to pay attention to first and the answer is all the outings. These give your son leadership experience and training on caring for himself, not to mention the adventure and fun that goes with each outing. They build character, build confidence, and strengthen the Scout’s ability to earn rank. **Sign up on the clipboard!**

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



9/8 Kamar Stephens
9/14 Wesley Cascio
9/22 Max Dueno

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)

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Outdoor/Activities Coordinator – Vacant

Fundraising Coordinator – Dan DeVere (661 400-5040)

Training Coordinator – Vacant

Equipment Coordinator – Mike Bedard (661 754-2865)

New Member Coordinator - Vacant

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