

Court of Honor

All Scouts and their Parents need to plan on being at the upcoming Court of Honor on September 26. Our Scouts have earned 135 Merit Badges and 32 Scouts have advanced in Rank. (You will need to get the right numbers on this from Steve Vaughan.) We have much reason to be proud of with these Scouts. Let's show your support.

In addition we will also be showing a wonderful Slide Show of our many activities over the summer, making special recognition of a long time Troop 1776 Scouter, and inducting in new Patrol Leaders and a new Scoutmaster. It will be a Court of Honor that you will not want to miss.

The Court of Honor will be held in the Parish Center on September 26th at 2:00 PM. A reception will follow the Court of Honor.

Merit Badge Clinics

Thanks much to Rick Watson, Sr. for conducting a Merit Badge Clinic over the summer for Personal Fitness. As a result 13 (Check with Steve on this too) Scouts now have completed this Eagle required Merit Badge.

Rod Hennek and Ed Rousselot are conducting the next Merit Badge Clinics on Personal Management. This will serve to assist Scouts who started this Badge at the NESA Day in January to complete some of the other requirements. Scouts that did not previously attend the NESA Day class will still be able to start this Eagle required badge.

We are looking for other Merit Badges to offer Clinics on in November and beyond. Do you have an expertise in an area that you could be a Merit Badge Counselor? We are in need of Merit Badge Counselors to assist in the Troop Advancement program. It is a perfect way to assist in the Troop Scouting program without buying a uniform. See Steve Vaughan or Bob Stong for more information.

Troop Elections – Sept 14

We will be electing new Patrol Leadership positions on September 14. SNAP forms for these positions and the Troop appointed positions are available from Scoutmaster Tom Morin. Two new appointed Troop positions are going to be formed, Troop Instructor and Troop OA Representative. Both of these new positions are eligible for rank leadership credit. SNAP forms are due in no later than September 14.

Needed: Troop Health & Safety Officer

A new Committee position is being formed and we need a parent volunteer to fill it. The H & S Officer will be responsible for the Troop Medical Forms, the Troop Transportation Vehicle Listing, and all other Health & Safety concerns. Interested volunteers should contact Committee Chair David Jaracz.

Popcorn Sales

In the month of October the Troop will be selling Trails End popcorn as a Fund Raiser. 50% of all profits will be deposited in the Scouts Account for use in their Scout activities or equipment. James Dean is coordinating the Popcorn Sales and will share more information on the fundraiser at the Troop Meetings and at the Court of Honor.

Scout Accounts

Each Scout will be receiving a statement from the Troop Treasurer, Frank Pazdzinski, on how much money they have in their individual Scout Accounts. Many of you are not aware how much money you have accumulated in the past year. You will be surprised. Please refer the Troop 1776 Scouting Guide on how you can utilize these funds.

Tubing Trip

We have a great crowd scheduled to attend the September Outing to the Squirrel's Nest in Unicoi State Park, The PLC has planned some activities for the outing in addition to the Tubing experience down the Chattahoochie River through the alpine town of Helen. September 17 – 19 See Rick Hale for more information.

Other Upcoming Outings

October 8 – 10 Duty to God Encampment – Introduction to the Religious Award program

October 22- 24 Backpacking Trip, Camping Merit Badge candidates from Summer Camp should plan on attending to complete their Badge.

November 19 – 21 OA Homecoming & Webelos Weekend – Camp Comer

Leader Dates Upcoming

September 9 Foothills District Roundtable
September 12 Troop Committee Meeting – St. Ann's
September 13 Troop ASM Leaders Meeting – Vaughan's House
October 21 Scoutmaster Fundamentals Training #1
October 28 Scoutmaster Fundamentals Training #2
November 2 Scoutmaster Fundamentals Training #3
November 5 – 7 Outdoor Leader Training Course