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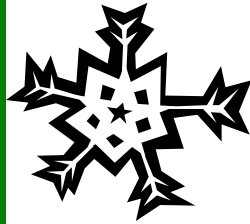
Quick Calendar



- Feb 14 Trp Meeting
- Feb 21 Trp Meeting
- Feb 24-26 Campout
- Feb 28 Trp Meeting
- Mar 2 Committee Mtg
- Mar 7 PLC
- Mar 12 Red & Green
- Mar 14 Trp meeting
- Mar 21 Trp Meeting
- Mar 31- April 2 Campout Inter-troop Competition

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Klondike CAMPOUT FEB 3-5

The Klondike took place 2/3 thru 2/5. It was a big success (even without snow). It did snow a little on Saturday but only after all the events were over. The "Fox" patrol placed 8th and the "Roaring Ravens" patrol placed 3rd, a great showing by all. Probably the most exciting event was the last one, "The Iditarod". We started with 10 "huskies". The track was long and laced with obstacles. The huskies dropped one by one. In the end, rounding the last turn, "Husky Jake of Juno" found himself all alone pulled the sled across the finish line. It was great fun. Just wait till next year, we may even have snow.

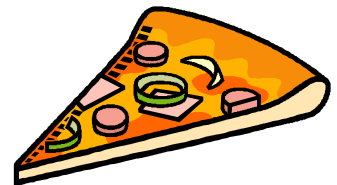
Cabin Camping

Our winter indoor cabin campout will be at Camp Betts in Michigan on Feb 24 thru 26. If it is anything like last year it will be a great time. Permission slips will be handed out on 2/14 and need to be returned on 2/21. We will only be able to house 24 scouts/leaders in the cabin. However, those that dare can pitch a tent outside and enjoy the brisk winter nights. Scouts are encouraged to attend this fun campout.



RED & GREEN BANQUET

The date for the Red & Green Banquet is March 12, 2005 at St. John's Church (Sunday 4pm). This is a celebration of the birth of scouting in the United States. Troop 83 will host a banquet for our families. Scouts will be asked to bring a dish to pass. That information will be given at a future meeting. A cost of \$5 per person will cover the cost of pizza. The troop will also supply cups, plates, napkins, tableware and table clothes.





Inter-Troop Competition Campout

The Plainfield Area Inter-troop competition is shaping up. Our Scoutmaster and Senior Patrol Leader will be attending planning meetings with the other three troops -Troop 13, Troop 82 and Troop 19. It's looking like a fun weekend with some very competitive events. The event will again be at Van Horn Woods. More information at a later date. *Put it on your calendar now!* March 31- April 2.

DUES! DUES! DUES!

Mrs. Vosatka, our Troop Treasurer, wants to remind all Scouts that dues are **due each month or can be paid annually**. A reminder that scouts can pay their dues with their scout accounts if they wish

RECRUITER

Want to earn the Recruiter's patch? All it takes is getting a friend to join Scouting. We have 3 scouts who have earned their recruiter patch. How about you?

SCOUTING WEB SITES

Did you know that BSA has a Spanish language web-site? If you speak Spanish you might want to check it out!

<http://www.scoutingvalelapena.org>

National Scouting Museum Web site.

<http://www.bsamuseum.org>

Good Turn Web site

<http://www.goodturnforamerica.org>



Summer Camp 2006

Summer camp will be at Camp Lowden, Oregon, IL. July 9-15, 2006. Put it on your calendar now! \$175 (fee paid by 5/01).

Brown Sea Summer Camp

Some scouts are planning on multiple weeks of summer camp. If you are interested in attending summer camp at Rainbow for 1 or 2 weeks starting on June 18, contact Bill Zucek at wzucek1@yahoo.com.

Class B Uniforms

We still have some class 'b' uniform T-Shirts and Sweatshirts available. If interested contact Laura Zucek at lzucek@yahoo.com.

Troop Equipment

Over the next few months we will be purchasing additional equipment for the troop. We are planning on purchasing 8 new tents by the Intertroop Campout on March 31. We have recently acquired 2 20 gallon propane tanks and 2 propane 'trees' (hook-ups for a camp stove and lantern).