# **Troop 570 Parent Meeting**

11 March, 2024

#### **Announcements:**

Contact: Leah Meigs, Committee Chair

- Welcome new families!
- March announcements: Girl troop Court of Honor on 3/18 (Boy troop will relocate that night for their meeting). 3/25 is the Patrol Leader Council (PLC) Meeting. Meeting for scouts with leadership roles. New Scout Patrol meeting on 3/25.
- April Announcements: 4/1 Boy troop Court of Honor in the church's sanctuary (Girl troop will relocate to another room in church to practice knots and lashings). 4/8 is during Spring break and there will be no meeting.
- 4/15 parent meeting during troop meeting.
- 4/22 PLC meeting and New Scout Patrol meeting.

## **Chartered Organization Representative**

Contact: Mat Pruitt, Charter Rep

• This Saturday 3/16 from 9 AM - 12 PM is the HSLC Service Project. Need more scouts to sign up. This counts for service hours. Scouts will be doing work on the surrounding grounds by spreading bark and more. There will be donuts, juice and fun! Great for adults to be present too to get to know people within the troop and to help out. We want to give back to the church because they allow us to borrow their space.

#### **New Parent Orientation**

Contact: Leah Meigs, Committee Chair

- 3/25 New Scout Parent meeting
- Gear talk with an Assistant Scoutmaster (ASM). This is for parents and scouts to attend. Please do not buy gear until attending this meeting!
- 4/22 New Scout Parent Meeting

## SPL (senior patrol leader) Updates for the Girls' Troop:

Contact: Khushi Jain, SPL and Valerie Magdalin, Scoutmaster

- Klondike was last weekend. Had 2 patrols that attended. Girls were the Queens of Klondike
- See Troopkit for details about events.
- HSLC service project this Saturday!
- 2 crossovers with incoming new scouts.
- Pantry packs will be a joint event with the boys troop.
- Trampoline park.
- ILST (Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops) is to train the elected leadership.
- Pre-camporee
- Scouting for Food
- 5 mile sunset hike

- Camporee
- Note: Nina Attkinson will be the incoming SPL that was just elected.
- Next week is the girl troop Court of Honor. This is a fun time to celebrate scouts and achievements.
- Note from Valerie Magdalin: Pre-camporee will be in Renton at the Lions Club. Will be going over new scout skills. This is a great way to get introduced to the troop for both parents and scouts.
  Parents are encouraged to bring a camp chair and cup of coffee. Adults can also help volunteer at different stations. If an adult is to stay overnight, they need to be registered. If you want to come for the day or stay overnight, please contact Leah Meigs.

## SPL (senior patrol leader) Updates for the Boys' Troop:

Contact: Ron Delamarter, SPL and Randy Whiltehill, Scoutmaster

- See Troopkit for details about events.
- Introduced Shane Pruitt as the upcoming SPL for the boy troop.
- Lock-in: spots are open. Need 20 or more people to sign up. Sign up as soon as possible. This is a good bonding activity.
- Biking day trip
- ILST (Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops). If elected tonight to leadership, this is required.
- Pre-camporee: this is a mini version of Camporee where the troop practices skills.
- Camporee: the patrols compete against other patrols/ troops by demonstrating skills.
- Scouting for Food is a joint event.
- Philmont Shakedown Camp 5/1.
- Beginner Backpacking 5/18
- Note: sign ups for an event will usually close ~1-2 weeks prior to the planned date.
- Klondike was last weekend. Boy troop won 1st place in the iditarod race, Timberwolves won the patrol spirit award.
- Note from Randy Whitehill: Pre-camporee is a great time for parents to get to know the troop and a way to help. It is lots of fun! It would be great to get every scout there for bonding and learning skills. It is at Renton Lions Youth Camp in Maple Valley.
- Another note for Randy Whitehill: Elections are tonight. Can soon see positions of responsibilities on Troop 570 website under resources tab (<a href="https://troop570.org">https://troop570.org</a>). ILST teaches how to fulfill their position. This helps to teach them leadership.

#### New Scout Patrol ASM's:

Contact: Jennifer Pruitt (boy troop ASM) and Carl Urban (girl troop ASM)

- For boy troop, see handout of anticipated schedule. Plan for an additional 25 minutes needed on certain nights of troop meetings.
- New scouts in the girl troop will plan to meet on PLC meeting nights.
- Goal is to discuss how to do everything within the troop and be a new scout. Troop guides are scouts that will work with the ASM to do this
- Skills will be signed off by demonstrating to older scouts.
- The boy troop is anticipating 16 new scouts.

## Troop Logo Wear:

Contact: Leah Meigs, Committee Chair

To be discussed next month.

### Summer Camp:

Contact: Rina Klabo, multiple roles

- Both the boy and girl troops will be going to camp 7/28 8/3
- Boy troop: going to Camp Parsons on Hood Canal. Cost is \$490 + transportation. There are 31 scouts signed up and up to 45 spots available. This is a great scouting experience. New scouts can get on the list by contacting Rina.
- Girl troop: going to Camp Fire Mountain outside of Mt. Vernon. \$295 was the first payment and 2nd payment due May 1st. New scouts can get on the list and please contact Rina if interested. There will be a Friday night dinner for families to join and see skits.
- Camperships are available to help pay for camp fees. Our troops have an internal budget for this and can cover up to 50 %.

#### Med Forms:

Contact: Rina Klabo, multiple roles

- Blank form for this in the new scout packets.
- Need these filled out ASAP. Part A and B are needed now. Part C is needed prior to an outing 72 hours or more (i.e. camp).
- Rina is requesting the help from a parent. She needs help sending out emails to families about what is missing from med forms. Please contact Rina if you can do this!

#### Reminders:

Contact: Leah Meigs, Committee Chair

- Please help make our new scout families feel welcome.
- Please ask your questions.
- Remember that Troop 570 website is a great resource! <a href="https://troop570.org">https://troop570.org</a>. The handbook for the troop is updated. Also, you need a gmail account to access some of the website that holds private information to the troop (i.e. photos). Please email Leah Meigs if you do not have a gmail account and need help gaining access.
- There is a video created to promote the troops on Facebook. There is a deadline to voice any concerns regarding the video by 3/17.

## Gear Exchange:

Contact: Suzanne Herold

- Suzanne organizes the gear to be exchanged.
- On parent meeting nights, there is a table with gear available. Check it out!
- You can take what you need and donate too.