Troop 570 Parent Meeting

16 April 2024

Announcements:

*Contact: Leah Meigs, Committee Chair*

* Pre-Camporee this weekend 4/19. Scouts can still sign up by Tuesday 4/16. Parents can come too!
* 4/22: Parent Orientation #3, PLC, New Scout Patrol Meeting, Patrol Leaders Council (PLC) Meeting
* 4/29: Troop Meeting
* 6/10 All troop family picnic

District Executive:

*Contact: Tim Danner*

* Tim Danner introduced himself and his role. He is the Lake Shore District Executive.
* He helps with many things. Some of these include administration, program development, camps, camporees and more.
* Please call or email him anytime with questions.

Chartered Organization Representative:

*Contact: Mathew Pruitt, Charter Representative*

* The troops' relationship to the church is good.
* Our troops have done several projects for the church recently. This includes new bark being placed on the surrounding grounds and Eagle projects.
* Using this space is a gift from the church. Please help keep the space clean. There has been no janitorial services since COVID.

Wood Badge:

*Contact: John Nangle, Committee Member*

* Wood Badge is a leadership training for adults in a scout way.
* Contact John Nangle if interested.
* The following dates are 2 weekends with both being required: 9/27-29 and 10/12-13.
* Registration on Tentaroo <https://seattlebsa.tentaroo.com/>
* NYLT (National Youth Leadership Training) and Wood Badge are very similar training. One is for scouts, and one is for adults.
* “Helps you appreciate the scouting program” and “gives you a better perspective”. Also, “helps improve the health of the troop”.

*SPL (senior patrol leader) Updates for the Girls’ Troop:*

*Contact: Nina Atkinson, SPL and Valerie Magdalin, Scoutmaster*

* See Troopkit for details about events.
* Pre camporees sign up open until Tuesday 4/16. Stations for scout skills. Can sign off lots in the scout book.
* Scouting for Food: Scoutmasters to discuss in detail.
* Camporee: scout skills practiced at pre camporee are used to be competitive against other troops. The theme will be Star Wars.
* 5-mile Sunset Hike
* Beginner Backpacking
* Nina’s Eagle Project: building things.
* Indoor climbing lock in try to stay awake all night and have fun!
* This month’s theme is Knots and Lashings.
* Backpacking is next month’s theme.
* PLC meeting next week.

Scouting for Food:

*Contact: Valorie Magdalin, Scoutmaster and Randy Whitehill, Scoutmaster*

* 4/27
* Collect food donations at Totem Lake QFC. Shifts between 9A- 3P.
* Need 2 deep leadership for both boy and girl troops. This means we always need 4 adult’s total.
* 4th shift is for transporting food to Woodinville Storehouse 3P- 4P.
* Need boxes. Costco ones are best.
* Sign up ASAP!
* There is a specific list of needed items but they will take anything.

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

*Contact: Shane Pruitt, SPL and Randy Whitehill, Scoutmaster*

* See Troopkit for details about events.
* Pre-Camporee 4/19 this weekend. Great opportunity to sign off skills in a scout book!
* Scouting for Food: it is important!
* Camporee: 5/3
* High Steel Bridge: this is the highest bridge in Washington state and the 3rd highest in the US. There will possibly be a hike added by visiting a 2nd bridge. This is in hopes to fulfill a 5-mile hike requirement (i.e. for Tenderfoot).
* April theme: Hiking.
* May theme: Scout Skills.
* Aviation Day: sign up not open yet but when it does, sign up early. This historically fills up right away.
* Beginner Backpacking: intro to backpacking. Easy way to learn about skills needed for this. Both boy and girl troops will have this.
* Note from Randy Whitehill: can grant exceptions for scouts to attend just a part of planned events. These need to be special circumstances and approved by the scoutmaster. Please email Randy Whitehill to make a plan.
* Note from Randy Whitehill: for checking pre camporee patrols, see email from Randy Whitehill on 4/15. This has the correct updated information.
* Note from Randy Whitehill: There will be a nice stagger on the planned backpacking trips to build on skills. This potentially allows scouts to attend more than one event. May includes a beginner trip, July includes an intermediate trip and August includes a harder trip.

New Scout Patrol:

*Contact: Jennifer Pruitt, ASM for Boy Troop*

* New scouts need to come to these extra meetings.
* A list of all the meetings can be found on Troopkit. Look under the meetings tab.

Troop Logo Wear:

*Contact: Naomi Urban, Logo Wear*

* See Flyer. Can find this at the concierge, by email, or PowerPoint.
* Cannot offer sweatshirts this year.
* 4/29 last day to order. This is so you can receive items by the June picnic.
* Money will be deducted from scout accounts.
* Look for a confirmation email from Naomi 2 days after the placed order.

Troop Resource Survey and Volunteer Opportunities:

*Contact: Leah Meigs, Committee Chair*

* Survey handed out to understand adult interests, skills, and possible ways to help.
* Asking that each family do something to help each year.
* Please see handout of current top needs of the troop. This includes Board of Review Coordinator, Treasurer, and Med Form Coordinator.

Summer Camp 2024:

*Contact: Rina Klabo, Summer Camp Coordinator*

* Both the boys’ and girls’ troops are going to camp at the same time: 7/28- 8/3.
* Boy Troop is going to Camp Parsons on Hood Canal. Cost $490 + transportation. 37 signed up and 8 spots are left. First payment paid and the next payment is $245 on 5/20. Transportation fee TBD.
* Sign up on Troopkit.
* It’s a blast and great for new scouts too!
* There is a troop fund if financial assistance is needed.
* Girl Troop is going to Camp Fire Mountain in Mt. Vernon. Cost $590 + transportation. First payment paid and next is on 5/6. Can add as many scouts as needed but the price will increase after 5/6. Currently 23 scouts signed up.
* Stay tuned for information about getting a camp shirt.

Med Forms:

*Contact: Rina Klabo, Med Form Coordinator*

* Part C med form needs to be filled out if you are going to NYLT, Philmont, and/or camp. You must see a doctor for this within the last 6 months. Turn this in no later than 7/15 for camp.
* Note from Scott Atkinson, Outings ASM: Late signups are often requested to bring a copy of med forms to the event.
* At the beginning of the year, the troop requests all med forms to be filled out again and turned in.
* Individual Scout Profile is a helpful document to also fill out if needed.
* Need an adult to volunteer for this position. Please reach out if interested!

New Member Login Help:

*Contact: Leah Meigs, Committee Chair*

* Concerning <https://troop570.org>
* The resources page in this website is very useful!
* An email was sent out on how to login or see the handout provided.
* Mark Scott is our Webmaster and can help if needed. You will need help logging into this website if you do not have a Gmail account. Email [admin@troop570.org](mailto:admin@troop570.org)
* There are private links that only members of the troop can view once signed in. This includes viewing posted photos from events, parent meeting notes and steering committee notes.

Reminders:

*Contact: Leah Meigs, Committee Chair*

* Allow 3 weeks for the adult registration process.
* Fill out troop resource surveys. Find a way to get involved.
* Remember Part C for summer camp, NYLT or Philmont.
* Register for summer camp.
* Ask your questions! Contact Leah Meigs about anything:)