

February Parent Meeting Minutes

7:10 Meeting called to order by Rich Bourns

Troop 870 Update

***Feb. 18th Next Troop Meeting-** Camporee Planning and Board of Reviews...Need Volunteers!

**February Theme: Skills (in preparation for Camporee)*

**Congratulations to our new Patrol leader Colin Gorham.*

** New Term is starting ...Anyone who needs a leadership position should email our new Senior Patrol Leader Colin Gorham and Scoutmaster Mr. Joiner.*

** Please remember that all outside service needs prior approval by Mr. Joiner. Send an email for approval before participating. This email will be sent to Mrs. Denson as well after your term to show pre-approval obtained.*

**Welcome to our newest ASM Steve Raska.*

**Next Court of Honor is May 20th 2019.*

Flag Update

**Our new Flag Storage Shed has been delivered!*

** Plans for moving the flags is underway and will be announced once a date is set.*

**Flag Holiday Distribution and Pick-up for 2019 will continue on Saturdays.*

**Flag Subscription pamphlets will be printed and ready to be compiled and prepared for mailing by the March parent meeting. All parents are asked to help at our next parent meeting so these can be sent out.*

2019 Flag Holidays

**Memorial Day: Flags out May 25th and Flags in June 1st*

**Independence Day: Flags out June 29th and Flags in July 6th*

**Patriots Day: Flags out Sept 7th and Flags in Sept 14th*

**Veterans Day: Flags out Nov 9th and Flags in Nov 16th*

***** Flag Workdays 2019: May 4th and May 11th*****

Troop Master Update

**Troop Master is a program that our troop is using to enable each scout/family to monitor the progress of their scout or scouts.*

**The program will allow you to see your scouts progress pertaining to merit badges, rank advancement, camping as well as service and so much more.*

** Each family is encouraged to set up a “Troop Master” account online. Additionally, there is a mobile app. That will also allow you to use it on the go.*

**Each family will need a sign-on. Email Mr. Steve Sambell for your sign-on and get started today!*

Volunteer Update

Troop 870 welcomes all volunteers to assist in supporting our troop and scouts. We have a need for volunteers as:

**Immediate need for a volunteer to help with Attendance Data Entry...if you can help please contact Mrs. Denson.*

**Assistant Scout Master *Merit Badge Counselors*

**Board of Review *Registration Coordinator*

Campout: Feb 22-24 Camporee @ Camp Brosig

February 22-24th Camp-out

The scouts will be planning menus, selecting tentmates and finalizing plans on February 18th. Our troop is in charge of leading the “ Maroon Activity”

***June 23-29th Summer Camp**

Camp Isabel Scout Ranch Colorado

** Cost will be 600.00 for anyone attending camp. Please keep in mind that the cost increases to 825.00 for those who have **not** participated in the 2 Flag Holiday, 1 workday and participated in 3 hours of service.*

**First Payment due by Feb. 18th. Can pay on your own schedule but full \$600.00 fee must be paid by April 1st meeting.*

** The tentative plan is to fly directly to Colorado and once there, will spend the night to adjust to the elevation. The next day the scouts will travel via rental vehicle for the four-hour drive to camp.*

**There is an option to go Whitewater rafting at an additional cost. Please make sure to mark that on your registration for before turning it in to Mr. Bourns.*

**Sign-ups for the Merit badges that will be offered at camp will occur sometime in April.*

Philmont

**Philmont June 6-22nd 2019*

**Next Payment due Feb. 2019*

**Practice hikes began at the January campout. The boys were able to do a couple of hikes to get started.*

Service Projects

**Troop 870 has done a great job participating in our most recent service opportunities including, scouting for food as well as Epicurean Night at Space Center Houston.*

**Be on the look-out for more information regarding Gaga Oghomi's Eagle project. The date is to be determined.*

Final Troop Announcements

**Tents are available for purchase, Please see Mr. Filak.*

**Our troop has a Uniform swap available to anyone who may need uniforms. See Mr. Klein if interested.*

**Troop Master Accounts and passwords have been sent to all scouts. Please make sure to activate your account so you can track your progress.*

**Troop Shirts are available for \$15.00*

**New Troop shirts are underway and soon to be ordered. We will revert back to the dry-fit orange shirts with troop 870 on the front in black.*

**Troop 870 has an Opportunity to Sign up for another Philmont trek in 2020 that would be the week of July1-13th.*

**Need a minimum of 5 scouts in order to go. Currently we have 4 interested scouts.*

**Interested scouts need to send a \$100.00 deposit to secure a spot...Past Due..so don't delay if you are interested!!*

To Be Eligible:

**First Class*

**14 years old Or *13 and Completed 8th grade by July 1st 2020*

*****Direct questions to Mr. Collings regarding Philmont***

Meeting Adjourned 8:12