

# **January Parent Meeting Minutes**

7:05 Meeting called to order by Erich Klein

## **Troop 870 Heads Up**

*\*Jan.11<sup>th</sup> Need headcount of those planning to attend Camporee in February. Please let Mrs. Ritu Gandhi via email so she can turn in a preliminary count. [Rarer3@hotmail.com](mailto:Rarer3@hotmail.com)*

*\*January 13<sup>th</sup> Mulching at Brookwood Park. Please contact our ASPL of service if you intend to participate since this is limited to the first 10 scouts. Each scout will need to stay the full duration in order to earn money towards camp since it will be evenly distributed among the 10 scouts volunteering. Scouts who would like to help can use it toward service hours.*

*\* January 26<sup>th</sup> and Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> Scouting for Food*

*\* January 28 is the last day to turn in is Blue Cards...*

*\* January 31 Epicurean Night*

*\*January 31st Last Day of the term for each scout holding a leadership position. Scouts are encouraged to begin thinking of what leadership position they would like to hold for next term.*

*Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> Court of Honor*

*\*Elections will be in the next few weeks with troop leadership training (TLT) to follow shortly thereafter.*

*\*Scouts will be starting sign-ups for the 2019 flag holidays and workdays pretty soon.*

*\* Each scout is responsible to participate in one workday shift as well as two holidays.*

*\*Those scouts who participate in both their holidays and workdays will receive a subsidy to offset the cost of summer camp.*

*\*Liaison for our troop and our charter organization UBC needs photos. UBC has a newsletter that they would like to feature our troop in. Please send photos to Mr. Reeder to be included in the quarterly newsletter. [Petereeder59@gmail.com](mailto:Petereeder59@gmail.com)*

## ***Flag Update***

*\*Welcome to Clay Gorham, our new Flag coordinator.*

*\*Flag Storage Shed is coming along nicely and the troop is finalizing all arrangements for delivery.*

*\* Planning for moving the flags continues depending on the date and delivery of the shed...Looking at dates and possibly*

*coordinating flag workday or holiday with movement of flags and equipment to our new storage shed on UBC property.*

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

## **2019 Flag Holidays**

*\*Memorial Day: Flags out May 25th and Flags in June 1<sup>st</sup>*

*\*Independence Day: Flags out June 29<sup>th</sup> and Flags in July 6<sup>th</sup>*

*\*Patriots Day: Flags out Sept 7<sup>th</sup> and Flags in Sept 14<sup>th</sup>*

*\*Veterans Day: Flags out Nov 9<sup>th</sup> and Flags in Nov 16<sup>th</sup>*

***\*\*2019 Flag Workdays: May 4th and May 11<sup>th</sup>\*\****

## **Volunteer Update**

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

*\*Assistant Scout Master*

*\*Merit Badge Counselors*

*\*Board of Review*

*\*Registration Coordinator*

*\*Lead for Scout Sunday Making and Serving Cobbler*

*\*Volunteer to Shop for supplies for Making Cobbler*

## ***Camping Update***

*\*January 19-21<sup>st</sup> Government Canyon State Natural Area. The theme is Backpacking. Please refer to emails as the location for this may be changed as discussed in the meeting.*

*\*February 22-24<sup>th</sup> Camporee at Camp Brosig*

*\*Need a headcount by Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> to make preliminary arrangements. Please email Mrs. Gandhi if you plan to attend camporee in Feb.*

*\* Summer Camp June 23-29<sup>th</sup>*

*Camp Isabel Scout Ranch Colorado Cost will be 600.00 for anyone attending camp. Please keep in mind that the cost increases to 800.00 for those who have not participated in the Flag Holiday and workdays. The tentative plan is to fly directly to Colorado and once there, rent a vehicle for the four-hour drive to camp.*

*Summer Camp Payment Schedule*

*\*Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> first payment --\$150.00 due*

*\* April 1<sup>st</sup> second payment—\$300.00 due*

*\*May 1<sup>st</sup> last payment --\$150.00 due*

## **Philmont**

*\*Philmont June 6-22<sup>nd</sup> 2019 Selection of Treks is in progress with final selection due now!*

*\*Next Payment due Feb. 2019*

*\*Practice hikes will be starting soon. The January campout will help prepare for Philmont since the focus is on Backpacking.*

### **\*\*\*Philmont 2020 Trek\*\*\***

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

*\*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. This is due by January 30<sup>th</sup>.*

*To Be Eligible:*

*\*First Class*

*\*14 years old*

*Or \*13 and Completed 8<sup>th</sup> grade by July 1<sup>st</sup> 2020*

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

## ***Service Projects***

*\*Jan 13<sup>th</sup> Mulching at Brookwood Park*

*11502 Mighty Redwood 77059.*

*Reserved for the first 10 scouts who signed up. These scouts who plan to use it toward their summer camp fees will need to*

*stay for the full duration of the mulching since the donation will be split evenly among the 10 scouts.*

*\*\*\*Additional scouts CAN help but will not earn money. They can use it toward service hours and Must let Gaga Oghomi and Mr. Lupo know it is for service. \*\*\**

*\*Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> and Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> Scouting For Food*

*Each spring the Boy scouts have a food drive. On January 26<sup>th</sup> troop 870 will place door hangers in Bay Oaks and the following weekend, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> troop 870 will pick-up food donations.*

*\*January 31<sup>st</sup> Epicurean Night at Space Center Houston*

*Scouts will be helping with trash. Plan is to meet at Space Center Houston between 6:00 and 6:15 and the evening will end around 9:15. This is a fun event. If you are unable to stay the whole time, arrangements can be made to attend for part of the time. Pam Lupo and Josie Oghomi will be the adult leads for this event.*

## ***Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> Scout Sunday & Charter Appreciation***

*University Baptist is our charter organization and Scout Sunday is the day Troop 870 shows our appreciation for all of their support. Our troop will be making and serving cobbler to the members of UBC. We need volunteers to help supervise as well as someone to shop for the necessary supplies and ingredients. Mr. Pete Reeder is also coordinating with UBC to have troop 870 assist with services.*

## ***William Anguiano Senior Patrol Leader & Announcements***

*\*January Theme: Backpacking*

*\*January Meetings...The following patrols will lead the meetings as follows:*

*Games: Phoenix Patrol led by Wesley Denson*

*Service: Eagle Patrol led by Luke Klein*

*Skills: Dragon Patrol led by Parker Bourns*



*\* Each patrol is to communicate and plan their respective area of the meeting. Ask your kids what the plans are if they are in any of the above patrols.*

*\*New Scout Shed is ready for delivery but we are awaiting a few details to be taken care of first.*

*\*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.*

*Meeting Adjourned 8:00*