



Troop 291 Newsletter

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December Birthdays

<u>Scouts</u>	
Kyle B	10
Joshua L	15
Patrick W	23
<u>Adult Scouters</u>	
Randy V.	9
Rich C.	20
Holly P.	28
Sam S.	29

Notes from the Chairman:

Parent Meeting – January 5, 2004

The troop will be conducting a MANDATORY parents meeting at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Please bring your PLANNER or family CALENDARS with you to this meeting.

Webelos Woods-Nov 7-9

We had a total of 18 Webelos and parents from Packs 204 and 291 camp with us last month at Webelos Woods at Camp Kickapoo. These Webelos learned how to camp Boy Scout style.

Upcoming Campouts

December: We will be camping in a cabin this month at Camp Simpson. Due to the church van being unavailable, we will need some adults to help us transport boys this weekend. See Mr. Sheldon or Mr. Cannon to volunteer.

January 2004: Mr. Sheldon has reserved some space for us at Tinker this month and has also has booked some tours. We also plan on doing some bowling while we are on base.

OA Items

Congrats to Mr. Switzer and Mr. Richardson on sealing their brotherhood at Webelos Woods last month.

The OA lodge meets the last Thursday night of each month at the Memorial Presbyterian Church at 601 24TH AVE SW in Norman.

Scouting for Food

This is scheduled for 12/13 (bag drop) and 12/20 (bag pickup). We will need some adult help to provide transportation to distribute and pickup bags both dates. This event is being done on our own; we had to reschedule because the troop had too many conflicts in November. See Mrs. Smith or Mr. Cannon to volunteer.

December Court of Honor/Christmas Party – 12/15/03

The troop will have its final court of honor on December 15; it will be held in the Fellowship Hall of the church. The Christmas party will follow after the court of honor. Please remember to bring snacks (i.e. cookies/finger foods/etc). The troop will provide drinks.

Spud and Salad – Feb. 8, 2004

This is an annual troop fundraising event. We will need ADULT help cooking and YOUTH help with prepping tables, servers, and cleanup. Adult cooks need to be at the church no later than 6:30 am. See Mr. Cannon or Mrs. Moody to volunteer.

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- 13 Scouting for Food “DROP OFF”
- 15 Court of Honor – Please bring snack food
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January

- 5 Parents Meeting
- 10 Street Clean-up – Scorpions
- 17 Merit Badge Fair – Norman
- 23-25 Campout – Tinker AFB

OA News:

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Fundraising News:

The Popcorn sales are being tabulated as well as Wreath sales; these fundraising efforts will be available for the next newsletter.

The OU fundraiser was a great success. The Troop when all said will have made approx. \$1300. With each individual gaining approx. \$60 to their account for each game.

Training News:

Advancements:

Several Merit Badge Fairs are upcoming please see Mrs. Cannon for more information.

January 17th – Norman

February 7th - Edmond

Committee Notes:

We would like to express our thanks and gratitude to Mr. Richardson for being the troops Committee Chair for the past 20 months (Mar '02 – Nov '03). He has been a good leader, advisor and friend we will all miss him and hope him the best in scouting. Mr. Logston has volunteered to fill this position as Interim Committee Chair until the January elections on the 20th.

There are Troop hats (\$8) available along with the larger sized Red Troop shirts XL \$9, XXL \$10, XXXL \$11) Please see Mr. Melton.

Scoutmaster Minute:

There are three types of people in this world. Some make mistakes and don't learn from them. Others make mistakes and do learn from them. But it is the wise that learn from the mistakes of others.

"Never be afraid to try something new. Remember, amateurs built the Ark; professionals built the Titanic."

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 7:00 Roundtable	5 CAMPOUT- CAMP SIMPSON	6 CAMPOUT - CAMP SIMPSON
7	8 7:00 Troop Mtg.	9 7:00 – PLC Meeting	10	11	12	13 ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY Scouting for Food “DROP OFF”
14	15 7:00 Troop Mtg. COURT OF HONOR/PARTY	16 7:00 Committee Mtg.	17	18	19	20 Scouting for Food “PICK UP”
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				1 7:00 Roundtable	2	3
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