



Troop 291 Newsletter

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November Birthdays

Scouts

Greg S.	5
Jeremiah M.	19
Nathaniel A.	20
Josh R.	23

Adult Scouters

Jo R.	24
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December Birthdays

Scouts

Kyle B.	10
Joshua L.	15
Patrick W.	23

Adult Scouters

Randy V.	9
Rich C.	20
Holly P.	28
Sam S.	29

Notes from the Chairman:

OU Concessions

This has turned out to be an excellent way to earn money for your son's account and there are still slots available to participate on the last 2 games, November 8 & 15. See Mike Richardson or Tammy Lewis to sign up. You will be required to obtain a Cleveland County Food Handler card before you can participate in this event. The Moore Community Center conducts a class every Wednesday at 3:30 pm and costs \$5.

Fundraising

Popcorn

The boys have netted over \$2200 in Show n Sell popcorn sales during the 2-weekend event. Way to go guys!! Of course, this would not have been possible without the support of our parents. Our thanks to all involved to make this event successful for the boys.

Spud and Salad

This is an annual troop fundraiser and is planned for February 8th. We'll need adults to help prep the potatoes and cook, setup tables, and general kitchen assistance. See Brenda Moody to volunteer.

Annual Planning Conference

The annual planning conference took place on October 24. This meeting set the dates for all troop events, such as campouts, climbing dates, Court of Honor dates, etc. An updated calendar will be posted on the web and mailed out in the newsletter as soon as it is finalized.

December COH

This is set for December 15 @ 7pm in the church's Fellowship Hall. Please plan to attend this event to support your sons and bring snacks for this event

Upcoming Campouts

December 5-7: Camp Simpson
January 25-27: Tinker Campout.

Training

3 troop leaders attended Climb on Safely/Instructor course on Oct. 31 and Nov. 1. We now have 3 additional climbing instructors for the troop

OA Items of interest

The OA meets the 4th Thursday of each month at the Memorial Presbyterian Church at 601 24 Ave. SW in Norman. Spring Ordeal will take place at Slippery Falls on April 4-6, 2004.

May 16-18 is the planned service day to all council camps. This starts the summer camp/day camp preparations

May 25-31 is the OA Trail Crew program. This weeklong program is in its 3rd year and has been successful the past 2 years. This program continues the

summer camp/day camp preparations at Slippery Falls, Camp Kickapoo, and George Thomas. Duties include cleaning up brush, setting up tents, clearing trails, mowing, painting, etc. It is designed to take some of the stress off the camp staff so they can concentrate on their program areas. You do NOT have to be in the OA to participate; it is open to all Scouts and adults who want to help and you are not required to work the entire week. The OA will take whatever time you can donate to the program.

Newsletter

As you may have noticed, the newsletter is only being mailed out bi-monthly now. This is to reduce postage costs. However, the newsletter will be updated with current info each month on the troop website (<http://welcome.to/troop291>). If you wish to receive the newsletter via email only, contact Mike Richardson at mrichardson4@cox.net to coordinate this.

Upcoming Events:

November

3	Christmas Wreath Handouts
4	Street Clean-up - EAGLES
10-12	Campout – Wichita Mountains
18	OU CONCESSION & Football Ushering
27	POPCORN Orders due at Scout Hut

December

5-7	Camp Simpson
15	Court of Honor

Fundraising News:

Upcoming Fundraising Events:

CHRISTMAS WREATHS:

Order Forms will be handed out 11/3 to begin taking orders

Training News:

Advancements:

Committee Notes:

The Committee, in support of the Boy Scout Philosophy of Environmental Awareness and help cut high costs of paper & stamps, will be making the newsletter available on-line at the webpage and also by emailing individuals at the end of every month by request. We will mail the newsletter on a Bi-Monthly basis starting with the September Newsletter.

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

Scoutmaster Minute:

Never doubt that a small group of committed people can change the world; indeed, they're the only people who ever have.

NOVEMBER 2003

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 OU Home Game Concession
2	3 CHRISTMAS WREATH SALES 7:00 Troop Mtg.	4 7:00 – PLC Meeting	5	6	7	8 OU Home Game Concession
9	10 7:00 Troop Mtg.	11 7:00 Committee Mtg.	12	13	14	15 OU Home Game Concession
16	17 7:00 Troop Mtg.	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 7:00 Troop Mtg.	25	26	27 Thanksgiving	28	29
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November

- 1 **OU CONCESSION**
- 3 **CHRISTMAS WREATH SALES BEGIN**
- 8 **OU CONCESSION**
- 15 **OU CONCESSION**

DECEMBER 2003

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
14	15 7:00 Troop Mtg. COURT OF HONOR/PARTY	16 7:00 Committee Mtg.	17	18	19	20
21	22 7:00 Troop Mtg.	23	24	25 CHRISTMAS	26	27
28	29 7:00 Troop Mtg.	30	31			

December

5-7 Campout – Camp Simpson
15 Court of Honor – Please bring snack food