

Boy Scout Troop 768

A Newsletter for Scouts & Parents

Ramona, CA

December 2009

Newsletter/Committee Meeting Minutes

From the Scout Master

Welcome Everyone,

Webelos Woods was excellent this year. The Cub Scouts really enjoyed the obstacle course, CPR section and our troop was the only troop mentioned. There were 1,300 Cub Scouts and 300 Boy Scouts in attendance. Our scouts did an excellent job with the fire, flag ceremony, and organizing the skits and songs for the meeting. Mr. Modeen was pleased with the boys that handled First Aide and Corey Asbury did a great job with the fire.

Be sure to watch for our upcoming events which should be really fun and a great experience for the boys. All these events will help to foster a greater independence and connection to all boy scouts and parents. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,
Larry Shepler, Scoutmaster

Committee Chair's Corner

Hi Everyone,
On December 2, 2009, we held our committee meeting. In attendance were Missy Drago, Larry Shepler, Steve Austin, Goldie Kacacek, Steven Kacacek, Steve Shellhammer, and Carol Shellhammer.

Missy Drago will continue to head up to recharter/registration for our troop.

Larry Shepler has five 32 Gallon trash cans of Flags to retire. We will be waiting until after Memorial Day this year to schedule a time to retire the flags. Dawn Perfect can also supply flags for retirement.

Steve Shellhammer has successfully transferred the Web Page account. Additionally, we held a Troop 768 email account. The committee decided we no longer have a need for this account or fee; therefore, our Troop 768 email account will no longer exist effective December 2009.

Dawn Perfect submitted the Calendar to the committee for review the previous month. One of the items discussed was that we hold our Patrol Leader Conference (PLC) meetings on the 1st Monday of each month whereby the scouts would end their meeting at 7:30 p.m. instead of 8:00 p.m. This would allow the PLC members to have their meetings from 7:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. the same night. This would require parents to pick up scouts not in leadership a little earlier on those meeting days. After some discussion, it was decided that we would try this to see if it would work out for all boy scouts involved. We want to thank the parents in advance for their cooperation regarding this new procedure.

Treasurer's Report

Goldie Kacacek gave the treasurers report. Last month we received a \$500 donation from the Poway Rodeo for the cleanup our scouts performed. Additionally, we will be receiving recycling money from this activity as well. All monies received will be placed in the Boy Scout account. We broke even on our last Beach Camping campout. This month we are fine with the account at this time. We went over the amounts in the scouts accounts to be used for recharter, other trips or other items.

A short summary for the next two months is as follows:

December Activities

Wed. Dec. 2	7:00 p.m.	Committee Meeting
Sat. Dec. 5		Josh Evola Eagle Ceremony
Mon. Dec. 7	6:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Troop Meeting (Scouts not in leadership released at 7:30 pm)
	7:30 pm – 8:00 pm	PLC Meeting
Thurs. Dec. 10	7:00 p.m.	Stater Bros.- Groceries for Campout

Fri. Dec. 11 – Sun. Dec. 13	5:30 p.m. @ First Christian Church Return Sun. @ 11:00 a.m.	Lake Dixon – Fishing / Biking
Mon. Dec. 14	6:30 p.m.	Court of Honor Potluck Dinner - \$5.00 Gift Exchange Class A Uniforms
Mon. Dec. 21		No Meeting
Mon. Dec. 28		No Meeting

January Activities

Monday Jan. 4	6:30 p.m.	Troop Meeting SM Conf/BR Class A Uniform
Wed. Jan. 6	7:00 p.m.	Committee Meeting
Fri., & Sat. Jan. 8 & 9	TBA	Adventure Base
Mon. Jan. 11	6:30 pm – 7:30 pm 7:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Troop Meeting (Scouts not in leadership released at 7:30 pm) PLC Meeting
Monday Jan. 18		No Troop Meeting
Thurs. Jan. 28	7:00 pm	Stater Bros.- Groceries for Campout
Fri., Sat. & Sun. Jan. 29 - 31	TBA	Fiesta Island – Salty Rat

Lake Dixon – December 11 - 13

On Friday December 11, 2009 thru Sunday December 13, 2009, the Boy Scout Troop 768 will be having a campout. We have 14 Boy Scouts and 8 Adults signed up so far to attend this campout.

Planning for Colorado River Trip

On Monday December 7 scout meeting we will be identifying requirements needed to become First Class scouts and attempting to meet these requirements for boys who wish to go on the Colorado River trip.

Court of Honor - Dec. 14

On Monday, December 14, 2009, we will be having our Court of Honor Potluck Dinner. Parents bring your favorite dish to eat. Additionally, we will also be

having a gift exchange where each scout brings a \$5.00 gift to exchange. This Christmas time Court of Honor is a lot of fun.

Fiesta Island Campout – Jan. 29 - 31

On Friday January 29, 2009 through Sunday, January 31, 2009, we will be having the Fiesta Island Campout. Bill Modeen is our lead person for this trip. He has reserved 14 canoes already. The boys will canoe around the bay approximately 4 or 5 hours. Swim test will be given prior to this trip and so we have that done way before our Colorado River trip. This trip will prepare the scouts for the Colorado River trip. This is a great trip for scouts to attend.

Colorado River Trip – Feb. 12 - 15

On Friday, Feb. 12, 2009 thru Feb. 15, 2009, we will have the Colorado River Trip. Steve Kakacek is the lead person for this trip. Kevin McNulty is assisting him with being in charge of the Shore Party. We will be having a slide show at our December 14, 2009 Court of Honor meeting of the past trip. Steve Kakacek will also be presenting information on the trip during our Jan. meeting.

Web Site

The Boy Scout Troop 768 website contains valuable schedule and activities information and is continuously updated. Steve Shellhammer is the official Website contact person. If you have any questions, input or changes regarding the website, please feel free to contact him. <http://www.troop768.org/>

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING **Wednesday, January 6, 2009 at 7:00 PM**

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