

Boy Scout Troop 768

A Newsletter for Scouts & Parents

Ramona, CA

October 2014

Newsletter/Committee Meeting Minutes

From the Scout Master

Welcome Everyone,

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,

Doug Crawford, Scoutmaster

Calendars: October Activities

Thurs. Oct. 2	6:30 p.m.	Committee Meeting @ VFW
Mon. Oct. 6	6:30 p.m.	Scout Master Conf./Board of Review - Class A Uniform
Sat. Oct. 11	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Dos Picos Haunted Hike (Community Service)
Mon. Oct. 13	6:30 p.m.	Troop Meeting
Sat. Oct. 18	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Dos Picos Haunted Hike (Community Service)
Mon. Oct. 20	6:30 p.m.	Troop Meeting
Sat. & Sun Oct. 25-26	TBD	Lytle Creek Hike
Mon. Oct. 27	6:30 p.m.	Troop Meeting – OPEN HOUSE

November Activities

Mon. Nov. 3	6:30 p.m.	Scout Master Conf./Board of Review - Class A Uniform
Thurs. Nov. 6	6:30 p.m.	Committee Meeting @ VFW
Sat. & Sun. Nov. 8 & 9	9 – 12 p.m. 12 – 3 p.m.	Poppy Sales at Stater Bros. (Community Service)
Sat. Nov. 8	9 - 3 p.m.	Poppy Sales at Albertsons (Community Service)
Mon. Nov.10	6:30	NO MTG – Veterans Day
Sat. Nov. 15		Shooting Day at Mataguay
Mon. Nov.17	6:30 p.m.	Troop Meeting
Sat. & Sun. Nov. 22-23	TDB	Mud Caves
Nov. 24-28	---	NO MTG - Thanksgiving

December Activities

Mon. Dec. 1	6:30 p.m.	SM Conf./Board of Review - Class A Uniform
Thurs. Dec. 4	6:30 p.m.	Committee Meeting
Sat. Dec. 6	Sign Up Online Now	Geology Day – District Wide Geology Merit Badge Day
Mon. Dec. 8	6:30 p.m.	Troop Meeting
Sun. Dec. 14	TBD	Eagle Rock Day Hike
Mon. Dec. 15	6:30 p.m.	Court of Honor/Pasta Potluck/Gift Exchange
Thurs. Dec. 18	6:30 p.m.	VFW Gift Wrapping
Sat. Dec. 20	TBD	Deliver Presents to kids
Dec. 22-31	---	NO MTG – Xmas

Please Note: The Newsletter Calendars are the most up-to-date current calendars when planning your schedules.

Committee Chair's Corner

Hi Everyone,

On October 2, 2014, we held our committee meeting at the VFW. In attendance were Eda Baldauf, Rose Crawford, Greg Hietala, Crystal Leon, Jim Radtke, Bob Richardson, Tracy Rolling, Don Scott, Steve Shellhammer, Carol Shellhammer, Larry Shelper, Mike Swadner, and Ron Underwood.

The Poway Rodeo was a big success again this year. Thanks to the scouts and parents who participated and a special thanks to John Callan for organizing and handling this activity. Additionally, thank you Larry Shelper for your participation.

It was discussed that there is a 2 year wait to be able to obtain a campsite for the Joshua Tree trip, therefore, we decided we could not at this point commit to this trip. Don Scott suggested he could lead the boys on the Lytle Creek Hike instead, therefore, we decided to plan that trip for Oct. 25 thru 26, 2014.

Tracy Rolling informed us that there was a Dos Picos Haunted Trail Hike on Oct. 11 and 18, 2014.

Bob Richardson mentioned the VFW Gift Wrapping and Deliver dates, so we add them to the calendar.

Rose Crawford will call and ask for spinner fishing poles for the Fisherman Landing Deep Sea Fishing trip.

Ron Underwood informed us that all the boys need are hiking boots and a camel back for the 9 mile hike down the Grand Canyon. The mules carry all other stuff. The trip costs approximately \$150 per person. It should be a great trip and all the boys should take advantage of all the pre-hiking trips to get ready for this trip.

It was reported that the cost for Camp Chawanekee is \$390 per scout and \$245 per adult. Steve Shellhammer will be in touch with Eda Baldauff regarding reserving spots for this camp for the summer.

Greg Hietala reported that the Boy Scout Trailer needs a lot of work...approximately \$300 in repairs between now and November 22, 2014 (i.e. Tires, fenders, shelves etc.). He also brought up the fact that we need CPR training in order to proceed with our trips. It was mentioned that the Red Cross has free CPR training on Saturdays. We need to look into setting up a training class for our adults.

Greg Hietala mentioned that the Ramona Country Estates has a number of Life Scout Projects if any scouts are interested. Additionally, he mentioned that the VFW has a "Scout of the Year" award to be given to Scouts who apply. He also mentioned that scouts interested in Archery that the Balboa Park has an archery range open to the public, however, cross bows are not allowed.

Treasurer's Report

Eda Baldauff gave the Treasurer's Report. We are running around the same each month regarding funds. Eda is working on having our Bank accounts changed to Chase Bank.

Dos Picos Haunted Hike - October 11 & 18 , 2014

On Saturday, October 11 and 18, 2014, Dos Picos is putting on a Haunted Hike for the public. Our scouts can participate in this event for Community Service. You can contact rangerkyle@me.com or call 619-920-7151 for information.

Lytle Creek Hike - October 25 – 26, 2014

On Saturday and Sunday, October 25 thru 26, 2014, we will be having the Lytle Creek Hike. Don Scott and Jim

Radtke are the leads for this hike. Look for upcoming emails regarding the details of this hike.

Open House - October 27, 2014

On Monday, October 27, 2014 at 6:30 p.m., Boy Scout Troop 768 will be hosting an Open House for all prospective Boy Scouts at the Scout Hut. All Cub Scouts are welcome, please come to join our meeting and demonstrations to find out if our Troop is right for you. There will be a planning meeting at our October 13 and 20 troop meeting for the Open House.

Poppy Sales - November 8 and 9, 2014

On Saturday and Sunday, November 8 and 9, 2014, the Boy Scouts will be selling poppies for the VFW.

The boys will earn community service for this activity.

Location and times are listed as follows:

Stater Brothers – Sat. & Sun. - November 8 and 9, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 12:00 p.m. To 3:00 p.m.

Albertsons – Sat. only - November 8, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Shooting Day at Mataguay - November 17, 2014

On Saturday, November 17, 2014, we will be having our Shooting Day at Mataguay. Greg Hietala and Ron Underwood is the leads for this activity. More information will be given at a later date.

Mud Caves - November 22 thru 23, 2014

On Saturday and Sunday, November 22 thru 23, 2014, we will be having our Mud Caves camping trip. Leland Rolling and Larry Shelper are the leads for this activity.

Geology Merit Badge Day - December 6, 2014

On Saturday, December 6, 2014, the District is having a Geology Merit Badge Day. Please sign up online as soon as possible in order to obtain a spot for this merit badge. You need to go to the Boy Scouts website in order to sign up if you are interested in this merit badge.

**Eagle Rock Day Hike -
December 14, 2014**

On Sunday, December 14, 2014, there will be a Eagle Rock Day Hike. Tracy Rolling is the lead person for this activity.

**Court of Honor/ Pasta Potluck/
Gift Exchange
December 15, 2014**

On Monday, December 15, 2014, we will be having the Court of Honor Pasta Potluck and Gift Exchange. Michelle Scott and Crystal Leon are the Hospitality Chairs. More information will be updated at a later date.

**VFW Gift Wrapping -
December 18, 2014**

On Thursday, December 18, 2014, we will be having our Gift Wrapping at the VFW at 6:30 p.m. Bob Richardson and Greg Hietala are the leads for this activity.

**Delivering Gifts to Kids -
December 20, 2014**

On Saturday, December 20, 2014, we will be delivering the gifts we wrapped to the kids. Bob Richardson and Greg Hietala are the leads for this activity.

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

**Thursday, November 6, 2014 at 7:00 PM
at the VFW Post 3783,
2247 Kelly Ave., Ramona, CA 92065**

**Reminder, Each of you, as scout parents are the Committee Members of the Troop. Many tasks are being handled behind the scenes to make the troop successful. Please attend the committee meetings and assist us in the planning and future progress of your scout. We are working on a list & a description of the various duties that need handled. We look forward to seeing each of you at the next Committee Meeting. Thank You Mr. Scott*

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