

January 2014

The Millennium

The Newsletter of Troop 1000

Troop 1000 Plano Texas Chartered by Resurrection Lutheran Church

January Calendar

2nd	Troop Committee Mtg 7:30 pm RLC
6th	Troop Mtg 7:30 pm Wild Caving Tour Reservations Accepted
9th	Scouter Roundtable Lexington Reservations Due
13th	Troop Mtg 7:30 pm Money Monday—Caving
20th	Troop Mtg 7:30 pm
24-26	Caving Campout
27th	Greenbar Meeting 7:30 pm

February Calendar

2nd	Scout Sunday—Scouts encouraged to aid Services at RLC
3rd	Troop Mtg 7:30 pm
6th	Troop Committee Mtg 7:30 pm
10th	Troop Mtg 7:30 pm Summer Camp Deposit due
13th	Scouter Roundtable
15th	Scouting for Food
17th	Troop Mtg 7:30 pm Money Monday—Hiking
18th	Buffalo Patrol Mtg 7:30 pm
24th	Greenbar Meeting 7:30 pm

March Calendar

1st	Court of Honor 6pm
3rd	Troop Mtg 7:30 PM Elections
8-12	USS Lexington Trip
17th	Troop Mtg 7:30 pm
24th	Troop Mtg 7:30 pm Money Monday—Camporee
28-30	District Camporee
31st	Greenbar Meeting 7:30 pm

Make Reservations NOW for 3 Upcoming Campouts!

Scouts, Scouters, and Scout Families: Important Information on Upcoming Campouts and Trips!

Sign-up is now in progress for three key programs

1. **WILD** Caving Campout - January 24th - 26th.
2. Spring Break Trip to the USS Lexington March 8th - 12th
3. Summer Camp at Camp Buck Toms, in Tennessee, July 5th - 13th (two travel days included)

Wild Caving - Reservations and Deposit Required NOW Jan 24 - 26.

We start out the year with a Wild adventure for Scouts of all ages and experience levels - perfect for a Scouts first campout with the Troop. Any Scout who has submitted an application, regardless of crossover status, may attend this Campout with the Troop (with or without parent).

Our Caving Campout will take place at Longhorn Caverns, where Scouts will have an opportunity to experience a modified "behind the scenes" Wild caving tour - often on hands and knees, in the dark (only when flashlights are turned off) and sometimes in the mud! They will travel along paths safe and well traveled - but currently off limits to the typical tour takers. This 2-1/2 hour tour is a unique program, and will only be offered to a limited number of Scouts on Saturday morning. **Reservations start Monday, January 6th, and are first come, first served.** I've taken the Wild tour multiple times and it is Great Fun!

— Scouts NOT going on the **Wild**

Tour will have the opportunity to take the **regular** walking tour of this amazing cavern on the same day, same time.

Following the morning at Longhorn Caverns, the Troop will visit Enchanted Rock State park for a view of some of our Planets oldest exposed rock formations, a few above ground "caves" and some very picturesque hiking. The Troop will be camping at Inks Lake Park, near Longhorn Caverns.

Please use the attached reservation sheet to make your reservation and be sure to include your deposit.

Live Aboard: USS Lexington Aircraft Carrier - In Port in Corpus Christi Texas Spring Break Trip - March 8 - 12

For our first Extended Campout of 2014, Troop 1000 will "take off" for the USS Lexington, where we have bunks on board reserved for two nights, March 9-10. For new and fairly new Scouts, This is often a "warm-up" trip for summer camp. Not quite a week away from home, and comfortable bunks for at least a few days of the trip!

Scouts will experience the fun aspects of living on an Aircraft Carrier including a ships tour, dining in the ships officers mess for meals (where they can order anything they want as long as that's the one thing being served that day), and learn about the haunted parts of this famous floating fortress.

Additional activities will include a visit to a local Science and History museum where replicas of Columbus' Ships are

moored and can be toured. - a fascinating look back to 1492! Plans are underway to spend one night camping in a state park or Scout camp on the way down (by car) and an additional night on a military base on the way back.

A reservation and deposit is due on or before January 9th.

Please use the attached reservation sheet to make your reservation and be sure to include your deposit.

Summer Camp: Camp Buck Toms July 5-13

This will be Troop 1000's first visit to Tennessee's Smoky Mountains area Camp Buck Tom's (although our Scout master, Mr. Diamond, went to camp there as a Scout!). Camping will be in a unique bunk-bed style "open" cabin (called an Adirondack) - so no cots needed this year!

The camp offers "all the comforts" of a typical Scout Camp, plus some exciting surprises for all! For Second year and more experienced Scouts, merit badge class signup begins in late January, and all signups should be set up for non-first year Scouts by mid February. There are High Adventure Options for experienced Scouts.

Total cost (without merit badge fees and high adventure options) will be about \$300 per scout (transportation cost - via 12-passenger vans - is still a variable, although most is expected to be covered by the Troop's Garage Sale revenue).

Deposit of \$100 is due on Feb 10th.

Extensive information on the Camp Buck Toms program is available here: <http://www.bsagsmc.org/document/2014-cbt-leaders-guide/132201>

Caving Campout Reservation

PLEASE HAVE YOUR SCOUT RETURN THIS FORM—WITH YOUR DEPOSIT IN A SEALED ENVELOPE WITH SCOUT'S NAME ON IT to the TROOP SCRIBE.

NEW SCOUT FAMILIES (Crossing over in Jan/Feb 2014) MAY RETURN TO SALLIE DIAMOND AT MONDAY NIGHT MEETING.

Scout Name: _____

Patrol (if known) _____

Scout Wishes to (must select one):

Wild Caving Tour **Reservation and Deposit of \$50 Due ASAP (first come first served)**.

Full amount for Campout \$ 100 Checks accepted FOR DEPOSIT amount only, prior to January 13th.

(Scout must supply headlamp and old jeans and long sleeve sweatshirt to change into/out of—Troop will supply other required gear—including helmet, knee and elbow pads). No Refunds after January 13th.

Some headlamps will be available to borrow at nominal cost to replace batteries — indicate if you need headlamp: Need Headlamp.

Walking Tour **No Deposit required**, Full amount for Campout \$ 60

(Scout Field Uniform with Hat, light jacket — 65 degrees year round)

Campout Permission Slip on the Web soon and full/remaining amount due January 13th. T1000.org All money turned in with permission slip on January 13th must be in cash, correct amount only - no change.

\$7-10 for one meal on the road (Return Trip) **NOT** Included.

Questions? Call Steve Lavine at 469-939-9763

USS Lexington Campout Reservation

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NEW SCOUT FAMILIES (Crossing over in Jan/Feb 2014) MAY RETURN TO SALLIE DIAMOND AT MONDAY NIGHT MEETING. Please return by January 9th, Form and Deposit may be mailed to Steve Lavine, 6212 Jacqueline Dr., Plano TX 75024. Please send so it may arrive on or before January 9th. No refunds after January 9th. Questions? Call Steve Lavine at 469-939-9763

Scout Name: _____

Patrol (if known) _____

Scout Wishes to Attend Spring Break Trip to Live Aboard USS Lexington. **Reservation and Deposit of \$100 Due January 9th.**

Full amount for Campout expected to be approximately \$200 Checks accepted FOR DEPOSIT.

Campout Permission Slip on the Web soon and remaining amount due March 3rd. T1000.org

HELP WANTED!

If you can spare some time, the Troop needs some Grand Volunteers for a few annual tasks:

Garage Sales

For our twice a year Garage Sales we need additional coordinators and day-of volunteers to help with collection, set-up and overall coordination. If you can help, please contact Patty King at 972-973-1678.

Medical Forms

It's that time again, and all Scouts and Scouters need to turn in their annual medical forms. Parts A & B must be received or renewed (adult can sign the forms indicating no changes) before our first campout. Part C (requiring Doctor's signature) can be turned in anytime between now and the Summer Camp Medical Forms deadline early this summer. To aid in the collection process, we could use one assistant to help out on Monday nights to file and check-off those received and help track down those we do not have. Contact Carolyn Linscott, clinscot@jcpenny.com

Summer Camp

Adults wishing to attend Summer Camp should notify Rick Diamond to let them know of their interest and availability.

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