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The Newsletter of Troop 1000

June Calendar

BSA Medical Forms for Summer Camp Over-Due

10th **Troop Meeting 7:30 pm**

15th Eagle Project (see pg. 5)

17th **Troop Meeting—Summer**

Camp Scouts Only

18th Buffalo Patrol (ASMs)

meeting 7:30 pm

23rd Depart for Summer

Camp

29th **Return from Summer**

Camp

July Calendar

1st **Greenbar Meeting** 7:30 pm

6th **Philmont Trek Departs**

8th **Troop Meeting 7:30 pm**

13th **Special Olympics Swim**

Meet

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Summer Camp Scout Meeting – June 17

IMPORTANT FOR ALL SCOUTS GOING TO SUMMER CAMP: Troop Meeting on June 17th will be a Summer Camp Scout Meeting at 7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. ONLY Scouts attending Summer Camp need to attend this meeting. Parents are welcome, but this meeting is primarily for the Scouts. This will be an opportunity for the Scouts to receive important information about summer camp and get their questions answered. If you have any questions about Summer Camp, contact Tim Hambelton at 972-422-7071.

Summer-Camp Reminders Gear

Don't forget!

Permission slips are due at the June 17 meeting!

Departure Information

- Arrive Church 8 a.m. Sunday. June 23rd.
- · Scouts need to bring a sack lunch in their day pack.
- Field Uniform (Scout shirt & pants/neckerchief/troop hat/belt) required for travel. Wear T1000 Blue Scout T shirt underneath going to camp.
- · Medications must be packed in day pack (NOT the foot locker). Must be in a clearly labeled zip-top bag (Scout name and T1000 - Plano Texas, camp dates June 23rd -29th). Prescription medication must include a signed Medication Form (www.t1000.org/ summercamp/ Medication_Form.pdf) in the bag. OTC medications in a separate bag.
- Permission slip (from troop web site) has additional information and details on our return.

- Troop web site has equipment lists (see Parent's Guide)
- All Scout gear (except cot MUST be in the original containand day pack) must fit in each Scout's foot locker.
- · Scout must be able to get this gear back into their footlocker for our return trip.

Medical forms are past due!

Camp requires Parts A, B, & C of the BSA Health and Medical Record form. The physical must have been within a year of our time at camp (6/29/2012 or later) Be sure to send TWO photocopies and keep the original.

Here are a few oftenoverlooked items regarding the medical forms:

- Include an emergency number on the left edge of the first page.
- Please be sure to sign in the parent's spot on the second page of Part B.
- Make sure your son's physical has been within the last year (6/29/2012 or later) and that Part C is dated and signed by the doctor.
- Please include a photocopy of your insurance card (front and back).

• Provide COMPLETE instructions for ALL meds - prescription and OTC. Form for this is on Troop Website.

All medications & Supplements

er, marked with the camper's name, Date of Prescription, DOCTORS NAME AND PHONE NUMBER, and correct dosage. Medication must include a signed Medication Form (www.t1000.org/summercamp/ $\textbf{Summer Camp Medical Forms} \quad \text{Medication_Form.pdf) in the}$

> Send only enough medication for the time away plus a couple of days.

Additional Information

A great deal of additional information can be found at: www.t1000.org, including:

- Parent Guide
- · Medical and Food Documents
- Packing Lists
- Other helpful documents

VISITOR INFO FOR PARENTS AT SUMMER CAMP: see page 5



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SAVE THE DATE

Second Annual SCUBA Diving Event:

Sunday Aug 25 6:00 - 8:30 at Jack Carter Pool.

Cost will be approx. \$15 for diving, + \$5-10/family (TBD).

More info to come in July and August

OA News: Upcoming Events

The following events are coming up soon. Check the lodge web page (http://www.miki.org) for more info.

- Chapter Meeting (June 13, 7:30 p.m.). Location: LDS Church, 2700 Roundrock Trail (http://g.co/maps/27f5).
- Induction Weekend (August 8-11). Location: Camp Constantin.

REMINDER

BSA Medical Forms for Summer Camp

Sid Richardson Scout Ranch requires that each Scout and Scouter submit a health form for summer camp. The BSA form to use is the Annual Health and Medical Record (http://www.t1000.org/medical.php).

All three sections of this form should be completed by you and your doctor. Two copies of the completed form (please keep the original) will need to be submitted to Tim Hambelton NOW. If you have any questions, please contact Tim Hambelton at 972-422-7071.

Troop 1000 Scouting Heritage Program

At the Troop meeting held Monday, June 3rd, I formally introduced the Scouts to the upcoming Troop 1000 Heritage Program. This program is designed to teach and reinforce the knowledge and skills that have been part of the Scouting outdoor program for over 100 years, and to allow Scouts to use official Scouting equipment that is typically more than 50 years old.

The Heritage Program will be taught by Eagle and Life Scouts, led by the Troop Historian, and conducted after they have completed learning to:

- Set up historic period tents
- Properly prepare a camp
- Use different cooking equipment and techniques
- Sharpen their outdoor tools skills
- Teach and lead fellow Scouts in other traditional Scouting outdoor skills

The program will be open to First Class and above Scouts, who demonstrate adherence to the Scout Oath and Law, participate regularly in Patrol and Troop activities, and who are recommended by their Patrol Advisor to the Scoutmaster. Once recommended, the Senior Scouts responsible for conducting the next Heritage Program will contact and interview the recommended Scouts, and then send their

recommendations to the Scoutmaster for review. No more than eight Scouts will be selected for any one Heritage campout. In addition to the rank and

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recommendation
requirements above, each
Scout invited to participate
must understand he will be
using items of historic value,
accept responsibility for the
proper use and care of those
items, and most of all be
willing to learn, participate,
and have fun alongside
fellow Scouts. No parent
may ask on behalf of a
Scout, and a Scout must let
his Patrol Advisor know if he
is interested.

Upon the successful completion of the Heritage Program, each Scout will be awarded special recognition and have the knowledge and skills to carry forward the best of Scouting's legacy outdoor traditions.

"To be ignorant of what occurred before you were born is to remain always a child" -Marcus Tullius Cicero

Rich Diamond

Scoutmaster

SAVE THE DATE

Plano Special Olympics Swim Meet - Sat July 13th

The Plano Special Olympics swim team will sponsor a swim meet on Saturday morning, July 13, from 7:30 a.m. until noon, at Jack Carter swimming Pool.

Troop 1000 has helped run this event for the more than 10 years. Typically, the event brings together about 200 athletes from about 10 local cities. As a Troop, we help with setup and break down, assist with timing, and in cheering on and encouraging the athletes.

We will need 15 to 20 or more volunteers for this event. This includes Scouts, siblings, adults, etc. The times are from 7:30 a.m. until about noon and will be followed with hot dogs cooked by the Allen Special Olympics.

If you cannot come for the entire morning, we usually need additional timers around 9 a.m. for about one hour for the assisted swim portion.

What to bring. Stop watches and pens or pencils. Swim suits. Sunscreen.

Each year this has been a very successful and well-attended event for the Special Olympics. We have always had lots of fun helping to run this event. We also have many Scouts show up simply because they want to help, not because they need a requirement. Sometimes some of our past Eagles show up to help out. That is just one of the things that Scouting is all about.

Please contact John Gnew at john.gnew@verizon.net to sign up or for more information.



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Scoutmaster's Moment: Finish What You Start

WALLY AMOS, a guy who bakes "famous" cookies for a living, has a few things to say about life and what happens when you finish what you start!

You never know

LIFE CONTINUES TO demonstrate that things are never as they appear to be-they are always more. The following story is confirmation.

Once upon a time, two friends set out early for a much-anticipated fishing trip. Their plan was to drive to the seashore, meet with buddies who owned a boat and sail off for the day.

Before long a tire blew. Fixing the flat put them a half hour behind schedule, but they figured their friends would wait. And off they went again.

Eager to make up time, they sped on, past a cop with a radar gun. The ticket cost them so bucks plus 45 minutes.

They had just convinced themselves that, because they were bringing the

food and drinks, their friends would wait for them, when the fan belt snapped.

Two hours, one tow and an expensive repair later, one said despondently, "I know they wouldn't have waited this long. Let's just cut our losses and go home."

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He convinced his disappointed pal, and they continued to the meeting place. Sure enough, the pier was deserted, the boat slip empty, their buddies gone. The first guy said, "See? I told you. It was just a waste of time coming here. The perfect ending for a failed morning."

His friend was on the point of agreeing when they heard faint voices calling out in the distance.

It didn't take them long to discover a couple of little boys who'd been playing in the surf nearby and gotten sucked out by a strong current. Our friends were both lifeguards, and were able to reach the boys just in time to save their lives. The perfect ending for a loused-up morning.

It doesn't take a brain surgeon to get the point of this story: If everything had gone as those guys had hoped, they'd have been long gone when the two little boys needed them. Things happen for a reason. We may not understand at the time just what that reason is, but we must have faith that we are all part of a larger plan. We need to be more accepting of the things that happen in our lives and trust that they are neither good nor bad, but instead are purposeful experiences constantly moving us on our way to being the very best.

I couldn't have said it any better.

Rick Diamond

Scoutmaster

As printed in the May issue of <u>The Costco</u> <u>Connection</u>. You can read more philosophy and such from Wally at www.wamoscookies.com



Not A Happy Camper? Try the Troop Committee on for Size

Hey everyone,

For those that don't already know me, I'm Rich Bails, the troop's new Committee Chair, having accepted this position back in March. I've served in Scouting for the past 15 years, in several packs and troops, and at the district level. My personal interests are Dutch oven cooking, skyrockets, and emergency preparedness.

I need your help. We have a broad range of positions available, both on the Assistant Scoutmaster (ASM) side and within our committee. If you are not already participating, you have a great opportunity for ensuring your Scout receives the quality experience he deserves.

Not so big on camping, or unsure where to step in? On the Committee side, we have an ongoing need for help on the "administrative" and advancement process during troop meetings and to support rank advancement Boards of Review. Our Troop Committee meets once a month (first Thursday of the month). In addition to these activities during troop meetings, this Committee makes decisions on financial and administrative details related to the running of our troop.

We have two specific Committee positions that need to be filled immediately, both related to our troop's fundraising activities:

- Popcorn Kernel
- Garage Sale Host

Both of these are important roles within our Committee. Selling popcorn provides an opportunity for our Scouts to pay their own way for activities such as summer camp and Philmont. Our bi-annual garage sales provide funding for much needed troop gear such as tents and stoves, trailer maintenance, and most importantly, bus or van transportation to out-of state Summer Camp every-other-year.

Like to camp? Committee members are welcome to join us on our campouts anytime! On the ASM side of the house we have openings for adults who want to enjoy the outdoors while helping our Scouts grow into fine young men. If you enjoy camping, and hands-on activities with the Scouts, then we can definitely use your help here.

If you have an interest in either side of our troop, please come talk to me. I would be happy to chat with you about these roles.

Sincerely,

Rich Bails

T1000 Committee Chair

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Pioneering and Family Campout









Our May campout, featuring Pioneering and a Family attended show-off of the resulting monkey bridge, was a great success. Plus, there was a Court of Honor and a fun campfire.

We thank those parents who attended for showing their support as well as those who camped with us Saturday night, who showed their courage. Especially when it came to consuming the Scout made breakfasts Sunday Morning!

















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Court of Honor Photos

Photos from our February Court of Honor are available at:

t1000coh21813.shutterfly.com

Spring Break Photos

Photos from our Spring Break Trip are available at:

t1000GMNP.shutterfly.com

Camporee Photos

Photos from our Camporee are available at:

t1000camporee.shutterfly.com

Family Campout & COH Photos

Photos from our May Pioneering and Family Campout/COH are available at:

http://t10002013familycampoutandcoh.shutterfly.com

Visiting at Summer Camp

Visitors are welcome at camp on Friday. HOWEVER, The camp needs a count of the number of guests, so please sign up on the form at Scout meetings. See Tim Hambelton if you have questions.

Plan to arrive about 4 p.m. in order to be there for the flag ceremony and dinner.

All visitors MUST park in the camp parking lot and may not drive to the campsites.

All visitors need to stop at the Camp Office/Trading Post upon arrival at camp to sign in and receive a visitor's identification wristband and pay for meals.

Visitors meals are \$7/adult, \$5/child.

Any adult visitor who has not completed the Texas-approved BSA Classroom YPT must be "escorted" by (stay with) another adult who has done so.

All visitors will be expected to leave by 9:30 p.m. or at the end of the campfire program.



Eagle Project Help Needed-June 15th

Jordan Smith's Eagle Project

What: Building a vegetable garden to benefit the third, fourth and fifth graders at Davis Elementary

When: Saturday, June 15, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Where: Davis Elementary School, 2701 Parkhaven Dr, Plano 75075 (on Parkhaven between Pinehurst & Roundrock)

What to bring: Work gloves, safety glasses or sunglasses.

Food will be served. Menu TBA. Please let Jordan know if you have food allergies.

Contact: Jordan at 469-467-9790 (home) or 214-403-1280 (cell)

This project counts for rank advancement service hours and as community service for NJHS and NHS.

