

TROOP 19 NEWS

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COMMITTEE MEETING

Paul Maheu ,Vince, Jane, Mary, Don , Ernie and Marcia attended.

Scoutmaster's Report

The troop leadership has drawn up a schedule of planned activities for the year which is exciting and challenging with something for everyone to enjoy. A detailed copy of the program has been distributed to the scouts. The troop leadership has been somewhat reorganized with Graham R. becoming Senior Patrol Leader along with Will and Matt M. moving into the position of Troop Guide.

On September 18 the troop will be at St. Mary Magdeline to help set up for a picnic.

There will be week-end trip to Wolfeboro on 9/24 & 25. This will be one more chance to have fun at our beloved camp before the end of the year. Details to be announced.

That same week-end the Lions Club will stage a Scout Hut repair project on both Saturday and Sunday. Any interested adults from Troop 19 are invited to participate and support this project by showing up between 8am and 3 pm in work clothes and gloves. Bring shovels and landscaping tools if you have them. BBQ lunch with refreshments will be provided. This is a great project which has been in the works for some time and has the support of the John Hinkel community. Thanks to our own Vince L. for his efforts on our behalf.

There are still a number of job openings for parents. Volunteering is the best way for us, especially parents of new scouts, to get involved in the troop and support the leadership. It's also true that scouts with a parent who is active in the troop tend to participate and achieve the most. Check with Paul or Vince if you are interested

Committee Reports -

Fundraising- This fall we will have the opportunity to work a concession for a couple of CAL football games. The dates will be Saturday, October 1 against Arizona and Saturday, November 12 against USC. Each family will be required to volunteer for at least one game. This is a surefire way to rebuild our coffers which have become depleted over the past couple of years. It's also a great way to have fun together and build troop unity.

Treasurer- Dues are due and payable now. New scouts are \$55.00 for the year. Veteran scouts pay \$60.00 and active parents pay \$10.00. Please bring your checks to Wednesday meetings by December 1.

With the kick-off in September comes renewed meeting attendance and opportunities for working on merit badges every first Wednesday of the month. Adult Merit badge counselors are needed to assist. You can get ideas from books at the scout club or the Albany Public library as to what matches your interests and abilities.

The swim party and barbecue on Sept. 10 was well attended and a great way to start off the year.

Our troop also participated in the Solano Stroll this year by providing a color guard and information booth.

Upcoming events-

St. Mary Magdalene service project 9/18

Lions Club Repair Project- 24 & 25

Trip to Wolfeboro- 9/16, 17 & 18

Cal Football Games- 10/1 & Nov.12

-Marcia