

Treasure Valley Time Is Almost Here!

December 20, 2011

Dear Parents,

The boys will once again be going to Treasure Valley Scout Reservation in Rutland, MA. The cost for Summer Camp this year is \$350.00 if paid in full by May 2nd, 2012. A \$50.00 deposit is due on or before Thursday, January 26th, 2012 to hold your sons spot. The final balance is due on or before Thursday, May 2nd in order to get the early bird fee. May 2nd, the cost will be \$400.00!

*****Please feel free to make weekly payments if that is easier for you and we will keep track!*****

We will meet at St. Anthony's parking lot at **9:00am Sunday, July 8th**. We will return **Saturday, July 14th at about 11:00am, please allow us time to unpack the Trailer & assign gear before dismissal.**

Family night is Friday night, July 13th. There will be a camp wide BBQ dinner for everyone. The approximate cost will be \$8.00 per person, children 5 years old & under are free! We need to have a count and money from each family by Thursday, July 5th for the number of people attending the Family Night BBQ. We ask that you arrive between 4:30-5pm as dinner is usually served at 5:30pm. Following dinner there will be Closing Ceremonies, including an Order of the Arrow Tap Out & Closing Camp Fire. Please also plan on taking your son's footlocker home with you on Friday Night.

Our summer Court of Honor will take place on Thursday, August 30th, 6:30-9pm @ St. Anthony's for the entire troop. This is a significant recognition for the boys. Please mark your calendars and make every effort to attend!

Below are reminders of some of the things that still need to be taken care of before we leave:

- * All dues must be brought up to date by **July 5th**
- * Troop photograph - \$9.00
- * **Program Costs:** Some Merit Badges involve a fee to cover supplies. (Subject to change due to manufacturer prices at camp time). These following costs were the 2011 costs. As soon as the 2012 prices are made available we will let you know.
 - o Merit Badge Books \$4.50
 - o Arrow kits for Archery Merit Badge: \$3.50
 - o Basketry Merit Badge Kit: \$8.00
 - o Leatherwork Merit Badge \$15.00
 - o Indian Lore Merit Badge \$11.00
 - o Woodcarving Merit Badge \$9.00
 - o Fishing Merit Badge – Boys 15 & over need to obtain a Fishing License before coming to camp.
- * **The average Camper spends \$30.00 at the trading post.** This is optional & should be banked with the Troop. **Please use small bills such as 1's & 5's. CASH ONLY no checks.**
- * Physical form must be filled out by a physician and returned to me by Thursday, **June 21st**
- * A recommended camp packing list is attached.
- * **Class A & Class B uniforms are required.**
- * Boy Scout Handbook.
- * **Wear the "Class A" uniform on Sunday with swim trunks underneath.** A swim test will be conducted ASAP upon arrival.
- * Each Scout should bring a bag lunch on Sunday including a drink!
- * All gear should be in a **footlocker, with a working lock.**
- * **Absolutely No Radios, Game Boys, or electronic gear of ANY type are allowed at camp.**

Please call me at 943-8068 if you have any questions or if you will need financial help from the Troop.

Yours in Scouting,
Ms. A