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Troop 201 Bugle

Scoutmaster's Minutes: Shared Leadership in 2006...

The health and wellness of the scout troop is usually determined by the following factors.

1. An active program that includes plenty of camping activities, summer camp, and high adventure.
2. Trained adult leaders who know the importance of scouting values and the tools to build the leaders of tomorrow.
3. Good, solid Junior Leader Training-Troop Leadership Development (JLT-TLD).

Training is important on the troop level as well as at the council level.

I would like to thank the 13 scouts in the troop who took the time after Yard Charge to come together and complete six hours of JLT training. The leadership of Tyler Bokman, as SPL, complimented by Nick Stenger, who has completed the week long Council JLT Training, will serve this troop well.

In this issue of the Bugle, is a roster of all the Troop Junior Leaders. If you need help or have any

questions, they represent your patrol and your troop. Contact them for help in any matter.

In 2006 Troop 201 will celebrate its 80th birthday. I am happy to have had a fun, safe scouting year at all our camps, summer camp, and the Jamboree. Our leadership looks forward to the same successes, camping all year, as well as a return of Mr. Brady and the troop to Philmont in 2006.

Yours in scouting,
Joe LaGruth, S.M.

During this holiday season remember to appreciate those closest to you!

Yard Charge Appreciation



Saturday, November 5th over 3,000 scouts from the Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers along with parents and leaders volunteered and raked leaves for over 1009 elderly homeowners throughout the Cleveland area. This year we had 20 scouts and leader's help from Troop 201. Half of the scouts joined up with Pack 102 in support of the younger boys in this program. Thank you to all who participated. See you next year, which may be set up in our own community.

"Go Light; the lighter the better, so that you have the simplest material for health, comfort, and enjoyment." Nessmuk

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****REMINDER****

All orders for Entertainment Books are due by the November 22nd Open House, to be held at East River Park. Thank you Mrs. Allen! Thanks to Mr. Paton for completing our Popcorn Sales too!

Winter Fun Camp

Please plan ahead for those interested in attending the Winter Fun Camp at Camp Avery Hand in Mansfield over the February 3-5 weekend. Outside of the camping, Scouts will have the chance to ski and snowboard at Snowtrails in Mansfield, Ohio. Scouts who are inexperienced will have the chance to learn. Equipment can be rented and more information will be coming in

Welcome Eagle Scouts

Cameron Brady is Troop 201's newest Eagle Scout! After completing a wheelchair ramp as his Eagle Scout Service Project, he prepared for his Eagle Scout Court of Honor in October. Our troop is looking forward to recognizing two more Eagles, Kevin Mueller and Matt Drda, as they prepare for their Eagle Scout Court of Honor on Sunday, April 23, 2006. Jim Bajorek and Eric Schade are also setting their Eagle Scout goal for

Christmas Tree Sale

The annual Boy Scout Christmas Tree sale will be held the first two weekends in December. Please make sure you see Mr. Bohland to sign up for service shifts. Remember, this money goes directly into your scout account to use for many upcoming events. **Do Your Part!**



Thank you to **Schuster's Greenhouse** for allowing our scouts to set up this fundraiser each year! Remind your family and neighbors to come out and support the Boy Scouts of Troop 201 this Christmas in our tree sale! Find all your Christmas needs in one place!

Preparing For a Philmont Adventure

Many Scouts are looking forward to Troop 201's 2006 High Adventure Trip to Philmont Scout Ranch. A parent's meeting will be held on Sunday, January 8th at 7 p.m. at the Jenkins Center. It will be important for at least one parent to be in attendance if your scout is going.



Silver on the sage, starlit skies above
Aspen covered hills, country that I love
Philmont here's to thee, scouting paradise
Out in God's country tonight.

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TROOP CALENDAR—November-December

November 12-13

November 14

November 15

November 18

November 19

November 22

November 29

December 3-4 and 10-11

December 4

December 6

December 13

December 20

December 27

Plan Ahead:

January 3

January 7-8

January 8

East Harbor Camping

Pack 102 Open House—OFHS Cafeteria—7 p.m..

Troop Meeting—FITCH SCHOOL—7 p.m.

Berea Rec Pool Session (1st class swimming) —7 p.m.

Environmental/Chemistry MB—CLEARVIEW SCHOOL—9 a.m.-12

Open House/Campfire Ceremony—EAST RIVER PARK—7 p.m.

Troop Meeting—FITCH SCHOOL—7 p.m.

Christmas Tree Sale—Schuster's Greenhouse—9 a.m.—5 p.m.

Village Green Tree Lighting—*at dusk, at the Village Green*

Troop Meeting—FITCH SCHOOL—7 p.m.

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Winter Court of Honor—Albion Woods Cabin, Strongsville 7 pm

No Meeting—Winter Break

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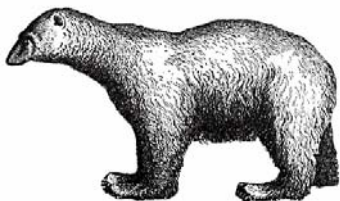
Polar Bear Campout

Philmont Parents Meeting —Jenkins Center 7 p.m.

Polar Bear

Save January 7th and 8th for the annual Polar Bear Campout! All scouts are encouraged to attend. This cold, outdoor camp tests your endurance and true Boy Scout preparedness.

Look for training and sign-ups in December.



Merit Badge Books

Need a merit badge book? All books are held in our troop library and can be obtained by asking Matt Stenger, Troop Librarian, to check one out. With this convenience, there is no reason not to work on a few badges over these coming winter months!

Mrs. LaGruth reminded scouts that reading and scholarship merit badges are easy to obtain with the work you already do in school.

Fundraising

Don't forget to save laser cartridges, ink jet cartridges and cell phones for our recycling program. Our troop has already received sixteen hundred dollars back to be used for camping and equipment. Bring them to any troop meeting and encourage your parents to bring these items in from their businesses or office. Mr. LaGruth can arrange to have a box located at their office, for convenience.

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East Harbor Campout

November 12th and 13th. While they were there, they had a chance to use the troop's four backpacking stoves in preparation for the Philmont trip. We also inventoried our troop's equipment needs. Recycling money will support and provide for these needs.

Upcoming Events

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Don't forget to sign up for the Christmas tree sale. Your work shift money goes into your scout account for future needs. Plan to attend the tree lighting ceremony at the Village Green on Dec. 4th at 5:00pm

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Winter Court of Honor

Plan to attend the Winter Court of Honor at the Albion Woods Shelter in the Strongsville Metropark area at 7:00 p.m. on December 20th. Families should accompany scouts to support their achievements and advancements to date. Scouts should be in Class A uniform. Parents are encouraged to bring desserts.

*Scouts Love
Christmas Cookies!*

