

!!! Important Information!!!

Troop 220 Newsletter – October 2015

A Compendium of Important Information on Troop 220 Events, Activities, and Policies

See also the troop web site at <http://bsatroop220nm.weebly.com/>

	Opening /Closing	Skill / Advancement	Game	Setup/ Cleanup	Planning	Other Activity or Special Event
October 5	1	Citizenship in the Community MB, Automotive Maintenance MB and 1st Class Center	2	3	--	
October 12	2	Citizenship in the Community MB, Automotive Maintenance MB and 1st Class Center	3	1	<i>Plan for Campout</i>	
<i>October 17-18</i>	--	--	--	--	--	<i>Campout at Jemez Falls</i>
October 19	3	Citizenship in the Community MB, Automotive Maintenance MB and 1st Class Center	1	2		PLC 6:00PM
<i>October 21</i>	--	--	--	--	--	<i>7:00 pm Committee Meeting</i>
October 26	1	Citizenship in the Community MB, Automotive Maintenance MB and 1st Class Center	2	3	--	Patrol Elections

1 – New Patrol, 2 – New Patrol, 3 – New Patrol
MB – Merit Badge, TBD – To Be Determined

Troop Elections

We will had elections last month. Be sure you look at your advancement leadership requirements. SPL will be picking the PLC positions – Historian, Scribe, Librarian, Quartermaster, and Web Master.

Popcorn Sales

The troop has begun popcorn sales. Mrs Baldwin volunteered to be the Popcorn Kernel. Forms were pasted out end of August. If you did not get a forms please see Mrs. Baldwin. New this year is the ability to order on line. This expands your opportunity for additional sales. As in the past the majority of profit will go to your scout account. Orders are due October 5th. Delivery is October 24th. Money is due November 2nd.

Advancement

Active Merit Badges: Mrs. Winsor – Citizenship in the Community, Scott Markham, Taylor Markham, Nick Ellison & Mr. Kavelman - Automotive Maintenance, Family Life MB Clean up Mrs. Winsor and Mrs. Zeleya
1st Class Center –Mr. Olson, Mr. Eathorne & Mr. Shoaff. The troop uses Troop Master to track all activity. If you need to find out what is recorded, ask Mrs. Tennant. If you completed a Scout Master Conference or Board of Review Scouts MUST be sure to see Mrs Tennant to get entered into Troop Master.

Recruiting

We are beginning to recruit new scouts to join the troop. If you have a friend be sure to invite him to a meeting or troop activity. Cubscout numbers have been dropping so we will need everyone's help to find new scouts to join. The Cub Scout program has is going through major revisions and the troop will be working with the local packs to assist cub scouts with the new requirements.

On November 14th we'll have our annual Webelos Day.

Upcoming Eagle Projects

Date TBD – Jack O’Brien painting project at Covenant United Methodist Church

Date TBD – Van Butcher Trellis project at Covenant United Methodist Church

Adult Leader Opportunities

One of the reasons we have a great troop is our pool of adult volunteers. There are many ways parents can help. Our next project to update all scout records – address, contacts event participation, etc.

Behavior

We expect scouts to follow the scout oath and law with their behavior. Scouts are reminded that we are guests of the church. While indoors please treat the church with respect. No running or rough housing indoors. Game time is the part of the meeting for physical release. We expect all scouts to use good judgment. Scouts are expected to treat each other with respect. Unless there is an activity at the La Cueva fields, all scouts are to remain on the church property. Scouts are not to use cell phones or electronics during the scout meetings.

Troop Gear

If you have participated on a campout later you’ll see we have new troop gear. In 2014 we replaced the aging propane stoves for all the chuck boxes and purchased a folding table. This year we have a new shovel, new water jugs, 2 new backpacking stoves and 2 new water pumps.

If you have or know someone who would like to donate any gear to the troop please let Mr. Kavelman know.

Bring in Your Aluminum Cans

Please continue to bring in your aluminum cans. All proceeds go into the troop treasury. Thanks to Mr. Butcher for coordinating this.

Upcoming Camping Events

October	October 3rd October 5th October 17-18th October 24th	Philmont Practice Hike Popcorn Orders Due Jemez Falls Campout Popcorn Delivery
November	November 2nd November 14th November 21st-22nd	Popcorn Money Due Webelos Day at CUMC Bandelier National Monument
December	December 18th	Troop Lock In @ Warehouse 508
January	January 16th-17th	Sipapu Lodge Campout & Ski Trip

Helpful Links

Troop 220 Web Page

<http://bsatroop220nm.weebly.com/>

Guide to Safe Scouting

<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/GSS.aspx>