# Troop 171 Newsletter

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# 2003 Permission Slips:

Enclosed with this newsletter is a 2003 permission slip. Please read, sign and return it to Mrs. Hirschinger as soon as possible. A signed permission slip is necessary before a Scout can participate in any troop activity, and is also required in order to request a board of review for advancement.

Adults who drive Scouts to activities must have submitted a copy of their auto insurance information. Any adults who have filed information but have changed vehicles or insurance companies must submit the changes. Contact Mrs. Hirschinger to file information or make changes.

#### Notice:

Please arrive on time to pick up and drop off your Scout for meetings and outings. Troop meetings begin at 7:15 PM and end at approximately 8:30 PM. Also, make sure that the adult in charge of an outing has accurate contact information such as telephone numbers in case we arrive early or late. Notify the troop leadership if you have arranged for your Scout to be picked up by someone other than a parent. Without such a notification, we will not send a Scout home with anyone but a parent. These steps will ensure that no one is kept waiting.

# December and January Activities:

There will be a hike about the Ten Commandments on Dec. 7.

Elections for the Order of the Arrow will take place on Jan. 13. Klondike will be Jan. 24–26; a shakedown for this event will be on Jan. 20.

#### Ten Commandments Hike:

There will be a short hike in downtown Denver on Dec. 7 to learn about the Ten Commandments. Scouts will visit different religious establishments and hear speakers.

		December
1	7:00	OA meeting
2		Troop meeting
7		Ten Commandments hike
9	7:15	Troop meeting
10	7:00	Committee meeting
16	7:00	Troop meeting
23		No meeting
30		No meeting
January		
5	7:00	OA meeting
6	7:15	
7	7:00	Committee meeting
13	7:15	
		OA elections
20	7:15	Troop meeting
		Shakedown
24-26		Klondike
27		No meeting

## **OA Elections:**

Order of the Arrow elections will be held at the troop meeting on Jan. 13. The Order of the Arrow is an organization of honor campers within the Boy Scouts of America. All Scouts are requested to attend and vote, especially those eligible for election.

## Klondike:

Klondike will be Jan. 24–26 at Wellington Lake near Bailey, Colorado. Many troops will be present to participate in games and other activities. It will be possible to sign up for Klondike at any troop meeting. Please sign up early to assist in planning.

To prepare for this event, there will be a shakedown at the troop meeting on Jan. 20. All Scouts, especially new Scouts, should bring their winter camping gear for inspection.

Contact David Fifield (david@bsatroop171.org) with additions to the newsletter.