

# TROOP 171 NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2001

## February and March Activities:

There will be a Court of Honor on Feb. 5. Parents are expected to attend. Please plan on making a donation to the Friends of Scouting, who will present at the meeting. There will be an outing to Lowry on Feb. 17. Details will follow at the Troop Meetings.

The Troop's annual cabin camp for new Scouts will take place Mar. 17-18 at Camp Alexander.

The BSA will offer many training opportunities for youth and adults in February and March; see below.

## Training Courses:

Train the Trainer: Feb. 24, \$11

Teaches skills for relaying information to others. For adult trainers, Big Horn staff and summer camp staff. This course is recommended before taking NRA certification. See Mrs. Hirschinger.

BSA Aquatics Training: Mar. 2-4, \$20

Learn how to teach aquatics merit badges and perform swim checks. For strong swimmers over 16. See Mrs. Hirschinger.

NRA/NAA Certification: Several dates, \$25 + \$35 per course

Become certified in shotgun shooting, rifle shooting and archery. Prepare for teaching merit badges and running shooting programs. See Mrs. Hirschinger or Mr. Gonsalves.

Chautauqua: Mar. 10, \$15 before Feb. 23, else \$20

Many courses are available, covering various subjects such as Scout skills, Troop management, and junior leader training. See Mrs. Hirschinger.

Wood Badge: Aug. 13-18, \$165

A week-long training course for adult leaders of Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. See Mr. Barr.

Big Horn: 3 weeks in summer, \$160

An immensely valuable week-long youth leadership course for Scouts who are at least First Class and 13 years old. See Mrs. Hirschinger.

## February

5	7:15	Court of Honor Friends of Scouting
6	7:00	Committee Meeting
12	7:15	Troop Meeting
17		Lowry outing
19		No meeting
24		Train the Trainer
26	7:15	Troop Meeting

## March

2-4		BSA Aquatics Training
5	7:15	Troop Meeting
6	7:00	Committee Meeting
10		Chautauqua
12	7:15	Troop Meeting
17-18		Cabin camp, Camp Alexander
19	7:15	No meeting
26	7:15	Troop Meeting

## Summer Camp:

Troop 171 will attend Summer Camp at Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch Jun. 24-30. The cost is \$160. Details will follow at the Troop Meetings.

## Service Patrols:

Beginning this month, every patrol will help to stack chairs at the beginning of patrol time. It is now especially important to arrive at the meetings on time, because they will start directly at 7:15.

## Dues:

Troop dues have been reduced from 11 to 10 dollars per month. See Mr. Rhods if you have any questions about dues.

## Popcorn:

The Troop has an assortment of popcorn products left over. Contact David Ernst at (303) 690-6529 if you'd like to purchase some. The products will also be available at the Feb. 5 Court of Honor.

## Outdoor/Activities Coordinator:

The Troop expresses its thanks to Mrs. Czarnek and Mrs. Ruddell, who have volunteered to cooperate in the vital position of Outdoor/Activities Coordinator.

Contact David Fifield with additions to the newsletter.