

TROOP 171 NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2001

March and April Activities:

Chautauqua is a collection of training courses that will take place Mar. 10. The first of two cabin camps will be held Mar. 17–18 at Camp Alexander. At these campouts we welcome the new Scouts and teach them basic skills. Scouts needing service hours should attend the Highline Canal clean-up on Mar. 24; see below.

The second cabin camp will be held Apr. 21–22 at Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch. The Scout Show is an annual convention that features exhibits by Scouting groups. It occurs Apr. 28.

Service Projects:

Scouts needing service hours should take advantage of these opportunities:

Highline Canal clean-up: Mar. 24

Help clean up the Highline Canal and its surroundings. See Mrs. Doubrava.

Arbor Day: May 5

Do a variety of service activities in the spirit of Arbor Day, including planting trees and bushes. See Mrs. Doubrava.

Remember: part of being a Scout is assisting in service projects that benefit the community. Consider attending these projects even if you don't need service hours for rank advancement.

Training Courses:

This is a summary of upcoming training courses for youth and adults:

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. See Mrs. Hirschinger or Mr. Gonsalves.

Chautauqua: Mar. 10, \$20

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

March

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

April

1 7:00	OA Meeting
2 7:15	Troop Meeting
9 7:15	Troop Meeting
16 7:15	Troop Meeting
21–22	Cabin camp, Peaceful Valley
23	No meeting
28	Scout Show
30 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.

Circus Tickets:

The Shrine Circus is offering reduced-price tickets to Boy Scouts and their families in March and April. The tickets are \$6, a \$2 discount. For more details or to purchase tickets, contact the Council Service Center.

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.

Outdoor/Activities Coordinator:

Correction: February's newsletter incorrectly stated that the position of Outdoor/Activities Coordinator had been filled. A volunteer is still urgently needed. Hand-holding and assistance will be provided in whatever amounts are required.

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