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Subject: Troop 454 News, next meeting Tues. Dec. 1, see IMPORTANT messages below

Scouts and Parents,

Our Troop held its last general meeting on Tues. Nov. 17th and then held our Nov. campout at Pace Bend Park on Nov. 20-22nd.

We will meet again this Tuesday, Dec. 1st. AND have TWO events this Saturday, Dec. 5.

IMPORTANT! The Troop Court of Honor (originally scheduled for Dec. 8th and then Dec. 15th) has been postponed to Tuesday Jan. 5th at our usual meeting time. Therefore, due to band conflicts and High School finals, there will be NO meeting Tues. Dec. 15th. **The Troop's last meeting for the year will be on Tuesday Dec. 8th.**

This Saturday, Dec. 5th, the Troop will conduct a Junior Leadership Training course for interested Scouts who are currently 1st Class and above. This class will be held at the usual meeting room at Riverbend Church from 9 am till approx. 3 pm. Lunch will be provided by the Troop.

Also this Saturday, Dec. 5th, the Troop will hold an "Advancement Day" workshop for Scouts below the rank of First Class who wish to work on requirements for rank advancement. ALSO, older Scouts (First Class and above) who participate can earn Leadership credit for their rank advancement needs.

We will hold the "Advancement Day" at the picnic bench area at Riverbend Church from 11 am to approx. 2 pm assuming it is good weather. If we need to move indoors, the group will relocate to the normal meeting room and use the room dividers to separate the group from the Junior Leadership Training Scouts. The Troop will provide lunch for this event.

The minutes of our last meeting are below:

Attendance was taken and approx. 24 Troop Scouts and 3 visiting Webelos were present.

Mr. Hill discussed our Troop's upcoming campout at Pacebend Park on Nov. 20-22. The activity will be two different ropes courses. A "low" ropes course, appropriate for Webelos and possibly younger Scouts, will occur from 8 am to 12 pm Sat. The "high" ropes course, a more challenging version of the above, will occur from 1pm to 5 pm.

The Troop broke up for pizza and conversation with the visiting Webelos Scouts.

The meeting reconvened to allow the patrols to do meal planning for the upcoming campout.

The meeting concluded with the closing ceremony at approx. 8:10 pm.

On Nov. 20-22nd the Troop held it's November campout at Pace Bend County Park. 17 Scouts, 1 Webelo and approx. 10 parents were in attendance.

The campout was a bit wet but survivable. The activity on Saturday was the Low and High ropes courses held at the nearby Highland Lakes facility. All Scouts and 2 adults took part in the activity. A great time was had by all.

We should again thank Mr. Hill for an excellent plan and great execution of the weekend campout and activity!

The Troop's next General meeting will be Tuesday Dec. 1 at 7 pm.

Best Regards,

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