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Troop 122 News

December 2011

TOWN XMAS PARTY

The town of Osceola will be having its annual tree lighting ceremony and Christmas party on Sunday, Dec 4, at the Osceola Town Hall at the northeast corner of Beech & Lincoln Way. As a community service project, we need scouts to help serve hot chocolate and cookies and to work with event organizers as needed. This is usually a fun time and scouts get free hot chocolate and cookies! Scouts should arrive by 5:30 PM in full uniform. This event is free and is open to the general public. Families with small children might be interested in visiting Santa without the hassle of the mall! The official start time for the event is 6:00 PM and we're usually done cleaning up by 7:00 PM. Joe Joyner is the contact for this event.

PEANUT BRITTLE

We'll be selling peanut brittle at the Osceola United Methodist Church on Sunday morning, Dec 4, during all of the services. We need some scouts in full uniform to help pass out samples. It's an easy job but the people buying peanut brittle like to see the scouts they're supporting! We'll be there from 8 AM til noon. We'll be done making peanut brittle on Dec. 8 & we can't guarantee there will still be some available after that so be sure to get what you need now! Peanut Brittle money is used to pay point money for Summer Camp & High Adventure.

MEETING NOTES

Troop elections in the Dec. 8 meeting

Pack 522 Webelos at the Dec. 15 meeting

We will **NOT** have a troop meeting
on Thursday, Dec. 22.

We **WILL** have a troop meeting
on Thursday, Jan 5.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Dec	1 Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	Peanut Brittle	6:00 - 9:30 PM
	4 Peanut Brittle Sale	8 AM - Noon
	Town Xmas Party	5:30 - 7:00 PM
	5 Peanut Brittle	6:00 - 9:30 PM
	8 Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	Peanut Brittle	6:00 - 9:30 PM
	<i>Take Order Money Due</i>	
	10-11 Climb Kalamazoo	
	15 Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	28-29 Winter Advancement Camp	
Jan	5 Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	12 Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	19 Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	20-22 Klondike Derby	
	24 PLC Meeting	6:30 - 8:00 PM
	26 Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	XX Meeting	6:45 - 8:00 PM
	31 Committee Meeting	7:00 PM
Feb	2 Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	9 Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	16 Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	21 PLC Meeting	6:30 - 8 PM
	23 Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	24-26 Skiing	
	28 Committee Meeting	7:00 PM

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

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CAMP OUTS

CLIMB KALAMAZOO

We will be visiting Climb Kalamazoo Dec. 10-11. This is our annual Christmas party and we have it at a climbing gym! The cost for climbing is \$35 per person, adults included. Popcorn money can be used for all of the \$35. This isn't just a fun activity and it's well worth the cost. Scouts will learn a lot about climbing and about themselves. Each scout must bring a snack or drink item to share for the party. Climb Kalamazoo will provide their expert instruction to all participants. We will spend the night climbing, bouldering, & eating! Scouts 13 & over can earn Climbing merit badge. We'll be home early Sunday morning.

KLONDIKE DERBY

We will be participating in the District Klondike Derby the weekend of Jan. 20-22. It's been a while since we've been to a Klondike so everyone should be excited to do it for the first time! Our scouts will be building sleds and will have to work as a team to get through the Klondike competition. This will be our first real winter campout (at least we hope there will be snow) so please read the winter campout guidelines in last month's newsletter. Please sign up at a troop meeting to attend this fun winter campout!

SCOUT SKILLS

We had a great time on our Scout Skills campout to Camp Chief Little Turtle! Our scouts lashed together two useful camp gadgets that they really used: a bench and a table! They also made a game that looked great but turned out to be pretty hard. No one did very well at the game but it stayed together! Great job everyone on your lashing and the campout in general. Thanks to Ron for organizing. We shouldn't wait 8 years to go back to CCLT!

SIGN UP FOR SAILING!
\$100 DEPOSIT DUE NOW
PAY THE REST A LITTLE AT A TIME

CAMP OUTS

WINTER ADVANCEMENT

Our troop is planning to attend the Winter Advancement Camp sponsored by the council on Dec 28-29 at Bethel College. The cost is \$35 and includes meals. Fundraising money can be used for all of the \$35. Money and registration forms, at troop meetings, are due by the Dec 1 meeting. If paid after that the fee is \$40. The merit badge registration with the list of merit badges is also available. This is a fun time and a great way to earn some different merit badges than at Summer Camp. Check out the list and pick out something fun! See Jenny with questions.

SKIING

For our Feb 24-26 campout we will be downhill skiing at Crystal Mountain Resort and camping in the Manistee National Forest west of Cadillac, MI. Winter camping is a great experience and we will spend time in our December & January meetings preparing our scouts so they will be able to enjoy it. The cost for a lift ticket is \$35 for those under 16, \$45 for 16 & over. Rentals are \$20 (you can bring your own equipment and save the rental fee). Add to that the regular \$20 campout fee and it comes to a total of only \$75-\$85 for a weekend at a luxury ski resort! Just ignore the fact that you're sleeping in a tent in the woods! Remember, popcorn money can be used for all campout expenses over the normal \$20 fee. As always, we want everyone to participate in every event regardless of the cost so if you need financial assistance please speak to a leader. If you don't know how to ski, our expert ski instructor, Tweeter Frend, will be with us again this year! She'll have you going down the intermediate hills by the end of the day! All skiers must wear a helmet. You can use your bike helmet if you don't have a ski helmet.

FUTURE PLANS

Future outing/campout plans include:

Dec 10-11	Climb Kalamazoo	(Bonnie)
Jan 20-22	Klondike Derby	(Devin)
Feb 24-26	Skiing	(Steve)

The person listed is the leader in charge of that campout. Refer specific campout questions to them.

FUNDRAISING

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PEANUT BRITTLE

We still need some help making peanut brittle on Monday, Dec.5, and Thursday, Dec. 8. Then we're done! Please take some peanut brittle to sell if you can. It is very good and we can almost guarantee repeat business if you can get someone to buy it the first time! And remember to come help at the Church sale on Sunday morning, Dec. 4. We are a peanut brittle making and selling machine right now - let's finish strong!

Popcorn \$\$
Due Dec 8!!!

Remember you can trade in your Walmart gift cards

SPONSOR NEWS

More good sponsor news this month! Thanks to the following sponsors for renewing their support: Magrames Motor Sales, American Legion Post 308, and Vogue School of Beauty (the employees all pitched in!). Your financial contribution to Scouting helps our troop continue to provide a quality program to the youth in our area. Do you know someone who might like to be a sponsor? For \$100 a year they get ad space on the trailer, are included in the list below and on our website, and they get a newsletter! Call Dee Joyner @ 674-7109 to add a sponsor.

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Osceola Business Assoc	Osceola Clinic
Osceola Lions Club (\$150)	Warren Chiropractic
Vogue School of Beauty	Wounded Knee Roofing
Randy Leliaert Agency (\$600)	
McKinley Penn Self Lock Storage (\$480)	
Ongoing: U.S. Signcrafters	

TROOP MEETINGS

Regular troop meetings are Thursdays from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM at the Osceola United Methodist Church. Please be on time and wear your shirt & neckerchief and bring your book & dues!

XX NEWS

Anyone interested in XX 2013: Please plan to attend a meeting during our regular troop meeting on Thursday, January 26. We will be talking about destinations for our 2013 trip and we need your input! This trip should be decided by everyone involved, not just me! Parents are welcome, too! If you have any ideas you want to discuss please talk to me ahead of time. I have 3 possible choices and I'll be sending out info in the next week so you can check them out before the meeting. We will decide where to go at this meeting! Just a reminder - all Flying Eagles and Dragons are now XX scouts. And of course our wonderful Flaming Arrows who are now seasoned XX travelers and our very special young adults should be planning to attend this meeting as well.

Our next planned XX fundraiser will be selling Hacienda gift cards. Each participant will have to sell \$250 in cards or pay \$50 cash.

COMMITTEE

The current committee consists of the members listed below. Committee meetings are the LAST Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the church. ALL committee members should attend. Parents, sponsors and other interested adults are welcome at these meetings.

Vince Kertes	Committee Chrmn	679-4087
Rich Mitchell	Scoutmaster	850-3302
Steve Buck	Quartermaster	259-3704
Devin Cartwright	Advancement	298-2624
Bonnie Clay	Asst. Scoutmaster	315-6253
Ken Fritz	Roundtable	291-2640
Jim Trader	Church Rep	256-9567
Jeremy Haluda	Asst. Scoutmaster	607-2967
Ron Hipsher	Asst. Scoutmaster	274-4200
Jeremy Hipsher	Asst. Scoutmaster	485-9000
Dee Joyner	Sponsors	674-7109
Jason Joyner	Asst. Scoutmaster	674-7109
Joe Joyner	Treasurer	674-7109
Jack King	Quartermaster	674-6249
Jenny Sanders	Fundraising	329-1618
Ben Van Antwerp	Asst. Scoutmaster	876-9498
Scott Whitfield	Asst. Scoutmaster	485-9765