



TROOP 209 CATALINA COUNCIL, TUCSON, ARIZONA



Committee Meeting Notes November 10, 2008

The following are highlights from the Committee Meeting held for Troop 209 on November 10, 2008 at SEAS:

- Lisa Powell from Wilson K-8 PTO visited the Troop Committee to talk about a fundraising opportunity. She is looking for scouts to help with Christmas tree sales for the YMCA. The sale begins November 28th and lasts till the 10th/11th of December. They may be able to order additional trees to extend the sale.
 - Times are Mon-Fri 2 PM to 8 PM with scouts likely helping out from 5-8 PM, Sat/Sun times are from 9 AM to 9 PM
 - Troop 209 scouts will need to decide if they want to participate
 - Can potentially be used for Salesmanship Merit Badge
 - Lisa's contact information is lisakpowell@comcast.net
- October 22nd Troop 209 attended an event sponsored by the Girl Scouts that welcomed visiting scouts from Scotland. The event was well attended with 13-15 scouts and a number of adults. Many of the scouts traded patches, neckerchiefs, etc. Songs were sung, a campfire was made, and all had a great time.
- October 25th Merit Badge College was a success. Many classes were full.
 - Special note that the Citizenship of the Nation and the World classes were too large. John Longhofer is working with the Troop 209 scouts who attended to finish their requirements.
 - Training calendar to be published after the 1st of the year containing future merit badge colleges
- October 25th Josh Meehan Eagle Court of Honor had great attendance from the troop
 - Ceremony went well, great location, and good food.
- November 1st Den Chief Training
 - Patrick Bersack and Kyle Pieper attended the training
 - Both are current den chiefs and work with Pack 219 and 209 respectively
 - The training reinforced what you can get with the on-line training
 - Steve Bersack has a list of packs needing den chiefs and will forward the list to Joe Vaskovic
 - Den chief work counts as a leadership role. They attend den meetings and help the webelos with activities
- November 7-9th OA Conclave in Phoenix
 - David Ogden, Kyle Pieper, Josh Meehan, Carter Smith (1 night), Max Jimenez, William Madson, and John Longhofer attended.
 - Fun event, a lot of activities, magic show, little sleep, (2 nights camping)
- November 11th – Veterans Day Ceremonies
 - Flag Retirement Ceremony at SEAS, request from Knights of Columbus for scouts to assist in the ceremony after 9:00 AM Mass. Be at SEAS at least by 9:30, full uniform, if not attending mass.

- Evening Veterans Diner at SEAS – Knights of Columbus requested scouts to help out with serving/cleanup. Be at the SEAS at 5:45 PM.
- November 13th – Scout Open House, Christ the King Church on Ina Road
 - 6:00 to 7:30 PM, setup at 5:30.
 - Ed Madson, Mike Gay, John Longhofer, Joe Vaskovic to attend
 - Kim Ogden volunteered to bring a projector screen, John to have movie, projector, and pictures.
 - Joe to bring flyers (approx. 50)
 - Barbara prepared flyers for Family Camp and Pin Clinic. She may have one available for January Troop 209 Parker Canyon campout.
- November 14th-16th – Family Camp for Troop 209 at Double V
 - Flyer says meet at SEAS at 5:30 PM, Troop told scouts 5:00 PM. Likely leave 5:45 from parking lot
 - Survivor Camp for selected scouts. Need adult/scout help with activities.
 - Chris Pendleton to submit permit information
 - Sign-Up Information:

Memory Game Items	
Water Balloons	
Cantelopes	Blake Kelly
GPS	John Longhofer
Archery	Dave Ammons
Pumpkins	Barbara Pieper
Arrow of Light Props	
Sling Shots	Barbara Pieper
Memory Game Items	Louis Pieper
Signal Flags	John Longhofer
Tower	John Longhofer
Fire Building	
Tile Breaking	

- Drivers list? Was passed around, but not collected
- Scouts to buy food, adults to cook their own
- Dave Ammons said 8+ volunteers will be at Double V installing a volleyball court and they asked if we could provide lunch for them. A committee vote was “yes”.
- Other activities for non-survivor scouts/siblings? Scouts to organize. They will be able to try games after survivor scouts have completed them.
 - Will be able to watch the games.
- Archery Merit Badge opportunity with Dave Ammons
- Need Scouts to prepare for Arrow Of Light ceremony for Pack 212 Saturday evening. Non-survivor scouts to prepare?
- November 17th – Merit Badge Councilor Orientation
 - Blake Kelly to teach at SEAS
 - Don't need to be registered, can register at meeting
 - This is Code 42 on the adult scout application
 - Don't need to be a registered adult to be a merit badge councilor
- December 1st – Fly Fishing Merit Badge Opportunity
 - Greg Ogden will have Trout Unlimited volunteers presenting the first in a two-part session for the Fly Fishing Merit Badge
 - Second session at the Parker Canyon Lake campout in January.
- December 6th – Webelos Pin Clinic / Troop 209 Lock-in

- Held at Beautiful Savior Academy, 7570 N. Thornydale Road
- Reg. 9:30 AM, event from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, Lock-in to follow
- Scouts must participate in pin clinic to be able to attend lock-in.
- 10:00 AM Troop 209 informational meeting for Webelos parents
- Scouts for Food collection
 - Joe Vaskovic to pick-up bags at Scout Open House 11/13
 - All encouraged to bring nonperishable food to Pin Clinic and Lock-in for Scouts for Food.
- Kim Ogden volunteered to oversee lunch preparations
- Certificates to be available for webelos, not the pins
- December 15th – Court of Honor
 - Scouts to come up with theme.
 - Food will be “pot luck” with those attending to bring food. Details to be worked out at the next committee meeting.
 - Adult gift exchange. Bring a gift to get a gift, \$10 max.

Other committee discussions:

- Troop Committee positions discussed. After the first of the year positions will be reviewed and committee members be asked to reaffirm their commitment. Some positions for update will be Assistant Scoutmasters, Chaplain, and Charter Org Rep.
- Treasurer report to be available from Ernie Vigil next scout meeting
- Popcorn sales nearly matched last years +\$9000 in sales.
 - December 8th will be the “Whipped Cream Pie in the Face” after committee
 - For every \$500 sold, one pie to a scout to throw at their favorite registered leader of their choice
- Polo Shirt orders for Troop 209 will be taken at the next scout meeting, November 17th. Barbara Pieper is organizing this.

The following were not discussed at the committee meeting due to time, but are relevant:

Youth Protection Training

Youth Protection Training at SEAS still needs to be completed. Jim Tarleton is overseeing the adult training for the troop and is updating our records. All active adults in Troop 209 need to have BSA Youth Protection Training, which is available on-line. In addition, SEAS has their youth protection training also. SEAS has an initial and refresher course. The initial is the same as the refresher but you get fingerprinted. Fingerprinting can be done during normal weekday business hours at SEAS. The refresher course needs to be updated yearly. The remaining SEAS refresher courses are as follows:

Sunday, 16 November	12:30 PM 2:30 PM	Parish Hall
Sunday, 30 November	12:30 PM	Parish Hall

Please forward your completion of this training to Jim.

Recharter

Troop 209 is in the process of filling out the rechartering forms for Catalina Council. Part of the rechartering involves collection of dues, registration, Boy's Life magazine subscription, and Order of the Arrow dues. The rates are as follows:

\$40 Dues
\$10 Registration Fee
\$12 Boy's Life
\$10 Order of the Arrow Dues

We collect dues for the troop twice a year, once at the beginning and once in the summer. We have been asked by the Council to complete our recharter by Thanksgiving so we are now asking for the first half of next years fees early. Please consider paying for the upcoming year by November 24th. Ernie Vigil will be available at our Monday meetings in the next few weeks to collect the money. Here are the fees you need to consider:

\$50 Dues and Registration Fee
\$60 Dues, Registration, O/A dues
\$62 Dues, Registration, Boy's Life Subscription
\$72 Dues, Registration, Boy's Life Subscription, O/A dues