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DATES TO REMEMBER

Tue, 11/6 @ 7PM: Troop Meeting

Tue, 11/13 @ 7PM: Troop & Family Update Meeting

Thur, 11/15 @ 9:30AM: Veteran's Day Program (Details Below)

Fri, 11/9-11 - Campout - Shotgun Shooting, Dawsonville, GA (**PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN DATE**)

Tue, 11/20 - NO TROOP MEETING (Thanksgiving Holiday)

Tue, 11/27 @ 7PM: Troop Meeting

Next Court of Honor will be February 12, 2013.

TROOP 317 FAMILY UPDATE MEETING

An update meeting for the entire troop family has been scheduled for TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH.

At the request of the Scoutmaster and Committee, parents are encouraged to come to the Uptown Auditorium to hear about what's happening within Troop 317. Whether you've been a part of the troop for 2 months or 5 years, the information shared will be valuable to all.

We look forward to seeing you in the Uptown Auditorium at 7:00pm on Tuesday night, Nov 13.

NOVEMBER CAMPOUT DATE CHANGE!

Due to conflicts with some local school schedules and family vacations, the November camp-out has been moved one weekend ahead of the original plan. We will now be camping and shotgun shooting during the weekend of November 9-11.

Sign up for the November campout out at http://troop317.net/Outings.aspx

UPCOMING TROOP MEETINGS

NOVEMBER - Shotgun Shooting (skeet, trap & sporting clays)

11/6 - Shotgun use and safety, rock climbing preparation and safety.

11/13 - Indoor rock climbing.

11/20 - NO MEETING (Thanksgiving Holiday)

11/27 - regular meeting

DECEMBER - "STANDDOWN" No Meetings for Christmas Holiday

JANUARY

1/8 - regular meeting

1/15 - regular meeting

1/18-20 - Urban Mission campout

1/22 - PLC

1/29 - regular meeting (PL & SPL Elections & ?OA Elections?(TBD)?)

FEBRUARY

2/5 - regular meeting

2/12 - Court of Honor/Change of Command

2/15-18 SuperTrip(4day) - USS Alabama & the Gulf Coast

2/19 - PLC

2/26 - regular meeting

MARCH

3/5 - Troop Open House; new Scout recruiting 3/19 - Joining Day; new Scouts join Troop

TRAINING RECORDS - RICHARD MELAGARI

THANKS TO MR. MELEGARI FOR GETTING OUR TRAINING UP TO DATE, PLEASE RESPOND TO HIM.

"Every Scout Deserves a Trained Leader." T317 is undertaking efforts to get our training records up to date, and then to ensure that all of our leaders are properly trained. The Committee asked for a volunteer, and Richard Melegari has volunteered to get our Troop Master records up to date. *If you receive an email from Richard, asking you to take a training class or provide a copy of completion records, PLEASE respond to him, as he is doing this at the Committee's direction.*

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM AT PERIMETER SCHOOL

On Thursday, November the 15th Perimeter School will celebrate all Veterans of the Armed Forceswith their annual Veterans Day Program. This program is a community event, open to the public, to celebrate and honor the service and sacrifice of our American Veterans. Invite all veterans you know; they

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and you will never forget the experience. <u>Visit the Veterans Day Celebration</u> <u>2012 webpage</u> for history, speaker info, and program details. (http://www.perimeterschool.org/news-and-events/veterans-day-2012.cfm)

Troop 317 is honored to support this program with our Scouts service as the color guard. **A few more Scouts are needed** to participate in the color guard. Sign-up at http://Troop317.net/Outings.aspx

PHILMONT 2012

Once again our Troop has been blessed with an opportunity for high adventure fun at Philmont Scout Reservation in New Mexico. This 10 day backpacking adventure in the mountains of northwest New Mexico starts on June 20th 2013 and runs through July 2nd 2013. This is an extraordinary opportunity for up to 12 members of our Scouting family to attend one of the three (soon four) premier high adventure camps that Boy Scouting has to offer. If your Scout or you want to attend, send a message to "philmont@troop317.com" and/or see MrO no later than November 2nd confirming your commitment. Training and payments will begin in November.

DID YOU KNOW?

Are you a new Scout parent lost in the lingo of scouting? Or maybe you're a veteran parent who just never really caught on to ranks, requirements, and Board of Reviews? Then this section is for you! Each week we'll include a factoid or piece of information that can educate you on the mysteries of scouting. OK...it really isn't THAT much of a mystery, but it will definitely arm you with information to encourage your Scout (and just make you look smarter).

Did you know...

...that Troop 317 has a uniform closet?

Actually, it's more like a uniform room! Luke and Laurie Van Cleave have an inventory of uniform items that have been donated over time and are yours for the taking. Does your Scout need some shorts, pants or Class B t-shirts? Then contact Luke at luke.vancleave@gmail.com to arrange a time to shop. Also, feel free to donate any items that your Scout has outgrown.

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