

Boy Scout Troop 93 Newsletter

Monday, November 22, 2010



Troop meetings: 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Tuesday of each month

Troop Committee and PLC meetings: 4th Tuesday

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www.troop-93.org

Visit our picture sharing site

www.troop93bsa.shutterfly.com

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www.1bsa.org

This Tuesday (11/23):

No Meeting

Next Tuesday (11/30):

PLC and Troop Committee ONLY

Tuesday 12/7:

The annual Cahaba River Swim. For those of you new to Troop 93, instead of a December campout, we go night swimming in the Cahaba River. Meet at Oakmont at 6pm that night. We leave promptly at 6:15. For those of you who want to meet us there instead, we will be accessing the river via the Mtn Brook YMCA, at Red Mtn Expressway in Homewood where 31 and 280 meet. We will arrive there about 6:45-7pm. Scouts should wear their swimsuits and t-shirt (plus sweats if it is cold) and bring a towel. Bring clothes to change into afterward (doesn't have to be a scout uniform). We will come back to the church and have a gift swap (Dirty Santa). Each scout who wants to participate should bring a wrapped gift, \$5 to \$10 in value, related to Scouting, Camping or Outdoors. No hatchets, machetes or sheath knives allowed (pocket knives are okay). We will finish about 9pm. To get ready for the Cahaba, scouts are advised to take cold showers for several days in advance. For safety purposes the quartermasters will bring lanterns and rope (for handrails); we don't want to repeat the problems of last year.

Tree Lot:

The Tree Lot has opened and the first load of trees has arrived. We are doing several new things at the Tree Lot this

year. Not only did we open early, but the Sunday morning shifts have been eliminated (we start at 12:30 on Sunday) and there is no longer an overlap between the afternoon and evening shifts. As soon as enough evening workers show up, the afternoon shift can sign out. One reminder, the shift start time is the time you should already be there to sign in. 5pm means 5pm, not 5:10 or 5:15. The early opening seemed to be successful; we had more than enough business to cover daily expenses. One other difference at the lot – we are drilling trees as they come off the trucks, so that they are moved less. This takes a little longer initially, but is much less work in the long run. Be sure to dress for the conditions when you are up there. If rain is predicted, bring rain gear. If cold is expected, dress warmly.

Christmas Tree Lot Sign-up

We still have about 12 open slots. Please try to sign up for one if you have time, especially a few weekday daytime shifts. If our troop misses a shift, not only do we lose the money we could have made from that shift, we lose a ½ shift penalty as well.

The list of shifts by scout is up on the Troop website now and the list of shifts by date will be up shortly. Use these to help if you need to swap a shift. Let Todd and me know if you swap shifts so the list can be updated. Remember that if you swap a shift, you will sign in beside that person's name at the Tree Lot (the lists were turned in a couple of weeks ago).