

TROOP 89 NEWSLETTER

Medfield, Massachusetts



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

December 2011

GENERAL NOTES:

- **Thank you to all the adult leaders** who helped out on the Junior Leadership Training Weekend and made it a great success. The scouts appreciate your efforts.
- A reminder that there is **no meeting on December 22th or 29th**
- **Scouts – are you interested in serving in a leadership position as the Chaplains Aid?** Mr. Ailinger (our Troop Chaplain) is looking for a scout to help on campouts. If you are interested or would like to know more about this leadership position, please contact Mr. Ailinger.

ACTIVITY NIGHT (December 15, 7-8:30 p.m.)

Coordinator: Mr. John Dalton, Activity Coordinator, xxx-xxx-xxxx.

An activity night is scheduled at the Westwood Municipal Pool (located at the east end of Westwood High School on Nahatan Street - see <http://local.yahoo.com/info-35163293-westwood-high-school-westwood> for map and details). **Please arrive at 7 pm to get organized –the swim will start at 7:15 pm. Please remember to bring \$5 and a towel.**

ORDER OF THE ARROW – BANQUET (January 9, 2012)

A reminder to all OA members who are interested in attending this banquet - **your registration forms with payment need to be in to Old Colony Council by December 28, 2011. This is always a fun evening and the cost is \$20. Registration forms can be found on the OA website: www.tisquantum.org**

CHRISTMAS TREE DRIVE (January 7 & 14)

Coordinator: Mr. Dave Thole, xxx-xxxx; Assistant Mr. Rich Sauro, xxx-xxxx.

The **Christmas Tree Drive** is upon us again. This is our one BIG fundraiser that supports the troop for the whole year! **We need drivers with Class 2 hitches and/or trucks** to help on these days. Every parent who has a pick-up truck or hitch helps the Troop make a bigger profit, instead of our paying U-Haul. (FYI – U-Haul will not let you tow a trailer behind a Ford Explorer.) Please call Mr. Sauro if you can help by driving one of those days. All Adults and Scouts, we expect to do most of the tree pickup on January 7th, so please consider volunteering for that day if your schedule permits. **All Scouts are expected to help on one or both weekends and not all scouts have signed up!** Please call Mr. Sauro at xxx-xxxx or e-mail him at xxx@xxx.xxx and let him know if you can help.

Parents we need your assistance to help make phone calls to confirm and schedule tree pickups. As long as you have access to a phone we could use your help. Call lists of prior year families requesting pickups are provided and calls are generally made the last week of December. Please call Mr. Thole if you can help with the phone calls.

If you want to help, but don't have a truck/hitch, or can't make phone calls there are opportunities to help with publicity, or accompanying a driver – Mr. Thole will be happy to find a job for you. Thanks!

Scouts – you are expected to help on one or both weekends. Not all scouts have signed up. If you have not signed up or are not sure if Mr. Sauro knows that you're helping, please let Mr. Sauro know as soon as possible by e-mailing him at xxx@xxx.xxx

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SEVEN RIVERS DISTRICT KLONDIKE DERBY (January 27-28, 2012)

Walpole MA

Cost: -\$20, cash only please

Payment deadline: January 5, 2012

Coordinator: Mr. George Lester, Trip Coordinator, tripcoordinator@troop89medfield.org

For our January 2012 trip, Troop 89 will participate in the Klondike Derby, a weekend of winter and snow themed fun and games at the Walpole Sportsman's Club. This is a BSA district-wide event, bringing together troops from the Seven Rivers district of Old Colony Council. This will be a fun chance to meet Scouts from other troops, and defend Troop 89's tradition of competitive excellence in these kinds of multi-event challenges (like Apache Relay at summer camp). We arrive and camp out on Friday night, then participate in the games on Saturday and return to Medfield in the late afternoon. **Sign-up is early January 5, 2012 !!**