December 2009

Troop 469

Upcoming Camping & Events:

12/7: 6 p.m. Family Potluck and 7 p.m. Court of Honor

12/14: 7 p.m. Meet at Brookside Park dressed for the weather

12/21: 7 p.m. Game Night at NHUMC

Happy Holidays!

Looking ahead:

1/4: Meeting

1/9: 7:30 a.m. Parent's Meeting

1/11 Meeting

1/16: Skiing at Afton Alps

1/18: No Meeting

!/25: Meeting

2/1: Meeting

2/6: Izaak Walton and Parent's Meeting

December 7 - Court of Honor & Family Potluck

December 7th is our annual Family Potluck. We will be meeting upstairs in the Fellowship Hall at NHUMC starting at 6 p.m. The past couple of years we have run low on food so Be Prepared.

This is a great way to meet other Scout families and enjoy some fabulous food.

Then join us for the December Court of Honor recognizing those scouts who are advancing in rank and/or have earned Merit Badges.

Annual re-charter and registration

It's that time again. The troop needs to re-charter and individual scouts need to re-register with the council. Cost for 2010 is $30/scout (same as past year).

Please bring a $30 check made out to Troop 469 to the December Court of Honor & Potluck.

Friends of Scouting's annual appeal will also be discussed at this time so keep that checkbook handy.

Wreath Sales

Final numbers aren't in yet but it looks like wreath sales are on track to meet or exceed last year's total. If you haven't turned in your wreath money yet but contact Brian Mundahl A.S.A.P.

Special thanks to Ted Winkler, Brian Mundahl and Gary Close for all their hard work in orchestrating a successful sales drive. And thanks to Isaac Allen and family for hosting the Troop's wreath pick up at their home again!

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Newsletter articles or suggestions?
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December 14 - Brookside Park

Bloomington's Brookside Park, located at 10000 Xerxes Ave, is an excellent placing to go sledding, play ultimate Frisbee or football or just hang out with friends. Come dressed for the weather and enjoy a roaring fire, hot chocolate and snacks!

If we have snow by then, throw in your sled, tube or toboggan and take on the hill.

December 21 - Game Night

Bring your favorite board game, a deck of cards and a festive spirit as we kick back and have some fun and friendly competition.

Merit Badge Counselors Needed

Do you have a skill, hobby or area of interest or expertise? There are over 150 Merit Badges that boys can earn – but only if there is a Merit Badge Counselor for that badge. Badges range from Business to Family Life to Cooking to Public Speaking to Wilderness Survival and many others.

Youth Protection Training

All adults who work with scouts and/or participate in overnight camping activities are required to take BSA Youth Protection Training. Training is online and only takes a few minutes.

http://training.nsbsa.org/

All scout parents are encouraged to take the training too so that you know what is expected and can talk with your scout about what is and isn't appropriate contact between a scout an adults.

District Roundtables

District Roundtables are held monthly and are where Scout leaders from all area Troops hear from local BSA leadership about upcoming events and activities. For information regarding District and Council activities visit:

www.roundtables.nsbsa.org/home

Troop 469 is part of the Dan Patch District.

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Sunday	Monday	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 6 p.m. Potluck & Court of Honor	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 7 p.m. Brookside Park	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 7 p.m. Game Night	22	23	24	25 Merry Christmas!	26
27	28 No Meeting	29	30	31	1 Happy New Year!	2

Upcoming Events and Dates to Know:

- January 4: Meeting
- January 11: Meeting
- January 16: Afton Alps skiing
- January 18: No Meeting - MLK Holiday
- January 25: Meeting

- February 6: Izaak Walton Park, East Bush Lake outdoor adventure + Parent's Meeting

- March 12-14: Cabin camping (Site To be determined)

- April 16-18: Camping and biking at Sakatah Lake State Park
- April 31 - May 2: Cleary Lake camping and Pig Roast

Troop 469 site:
http://www.troop469mn.com/

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