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Spring Court of Honor

Our annual spring Court of Honor is coming up on Tuesday, April 27. Parents and family members are encouraged to come to recognize our Scouts' many achievements.



Next Campout

Our next campout is the Spring Camporee April 23 -- 25 at Camp Friedlander. A number of fun events are planned, including Scoutcraft competitions, fly-fishing demonstrations and a fishing derby. There will also be a rifle-shooting competition -- this requires a special permission slip (enclosed) to be completed and signed by a parent. Our usual permission slip is also enclosed and we need them both, along with the \$14 cost, by next Tuesday, April 20.

Summer Camp Notes

A Spring Status Report is enclosed showing whether or not your son is signed up for camp and his payment status, including his current personal account balance.

Unfortunately, the medical forms for last year's Camp Friedlander campers have been misplaced. If you still have a photocopy of your son's form, that will be acceptable. Otherwise it will be necessary to complete a new form including the doctor's portion. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Calendar Changes

- ★ The Committee Meeting originally scheduled for May 18 will now be held May 25.
- ★ The campout at Fort Knox which was tentatively scheduled for May 14 -- 16 has been canceled -- due to wartime security, Fort Knox is no longer open for camping or tours.
- ★ Our first annual Pancake Breakfast will take place October 31, not October 24 as originally scheduled.
- ★ All of these changes are reflected in the Calendar page of www.troop850.org.



Spaghetti Dinner Wrap-Up

Wow!! What a success!! Congratulations go to Mona Martin and her Spaghetti Dinner Committee for a great day!! This year we served 446 dinners, including 110 carry-outs. Our net proceeds totaled \$3,738.27 -- \$1470 of which go directly to the Scouts' accounts. The new cafeteria comfortably sat our customers and the Seniors were especially grateful for their special seating area. Special kudos to Connie Peace who did an outstanding endeavor with the raffle. We made \$1326 on the raffle alone (including over \$250 Denny sold at his office)!! Great job, Connie!! Great job Mona!!!

Website Update

Check out photos from the Caesar's Creek campout in March and the backpacking trip in April, now on www.troop850.org!! We've also started a new Camp Recipes page. If anyone would like to submit a good camp recipe, please e-mail it to chas@hertlein.cc.

MOUNTAIN MAN RENDEZVOUS IN JUNE

The annual Mountain Man Rendezvous takes place at the Southern Ohio Dog & Game Club again this June, the weekend of June 18 -- 20. This is always a very popular outing and we hope Troop 850 can again attend. It conflicts with this year's high adventure trip to Minnesota which means a number of adults won't be available, so we're looking for adult volunteers to take the lead for this weekend. Please see Mr. Rottmueller to volunteer.

Tents and Equipment

One of the main uses for the Troop's portion of the Spaghetti Dinner proceeds is the purchase of tents and other equipment we use for camping. We ask the boys (and adults) who use the equipment to bring it home with them after each campout for cleaning and drying -- this is especially important for the tents which will be ruined by mildew if stored damp. If your son brings a tent home after a campout, please take a minute to help him dry and repack it and please make sure he returns it at the next Troop meeting.

