

September 2009



Troop 96 Embarks on a New Year of Scouting

MIDDLEBORO – The first Troop meeting of the new Scouting year is scheduled for Wednesday, September 9, and already the calendar is filling up

with activity.

The first major event reflects the Troop's dedication to serving the Community. On Saturday, September 12, the scouts and leaders of Troop 96 will once again be providing the first aid station for a Car Show at Cirelli's. In addition, the Troop is being provided the opportunity to sell candy bars. The event is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and a roster will be created at the first Troop meeting.

The first camping trip for the new Scouting year will be Webelos Woods at Camp Squanto, the weekend of September 18-20. This year the Troop will be host to Webelos from Pack 96, which will help to provide the Troop with a great opportunity to forge a relationship with the Cub Scouts from its related Pack. Scouts should be dropped off at Camp Squanto on Friday, September 18, at 6 p.m., and picked up at camp on Sunday morning, September 20, at 10 a.m. The \$20 deposit for this campout will be collected at the September 16 Troop meeting. All this activity means a dedicated group of volunteers willing to take the time to make it happen, and the funds available to make a full schedule of outdoor activities financially feasible.

To get a clear picture of the scope of activities that will occur throughout the Scouting year, and the funds necessary for them to be possible, the Troop leaders are hosting a parents' meeting. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 9, from 7-8 p.m. in the library of the Parish Hall. More information on this meeting has been mailed separately to the parent(s) of each scout.



Yard Sale to be Held on October 17

MIDDLEBORO – Troop 96 will hold its third annual yard sale on Saturday, October 17, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., with a rain date of October 24. This is an "all hands on deck" event, with as many Scouts and adults helping as possible.

In the meantime, start collecting all those items no longer used, but just too good to throw away. Books, toys, household items, tools, knick-knacks, and small articles of furniture, are just some examples of sought after items. (*Large furniture and electronics will not be accepted.*) The Troop also needs any available fold-out tables for displaying merchandise. Anyone who can help, has items to donate, or has a table they can make available is asked let one of the Troop leaders know.

Scouts, Parents Reminded of Attendance Guidelines

MIDDLEBORO – With the new Scouting year for Troop 96 ready to start on Wednesday, Sept. 9, Scouts are reminded of the following:

- * Meetings start promptly at 7 p.m., so all Scouts should arrive at least 10 minutes prior to set up and get settled.
- * Scouts should arrive at Troop meetings in full uniform.
- * Scout Handbooks should be brought to all Troop meetings.

In addition, parents are reminded to arrive at 8:15 p.m. to pick up their Scouts and to do so inside the Parish Hall, so that they may hear the closing remarks at the end of each meeting. Although as much information as possible is sent directly to the homes via the newsletter, calendar and special mailings, there are times when it is necessary to make last minute changes and additions to the schedule. When that is the case, the Scouts are informed during the Troop meeting, and the information is repeated at the closing. To insure these communications reach the parents, Scoutmaster Rolf Terrio has requested their presence for these announcements.

Scouts and parents are also reminded that updates to the schedule, as well as the calendar of upcoming events, are posted on the Troop's website at:

<http://www.troop96m.org/>