

Troop Tidings

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Troop 805 Danville, CA

Flag Ceremony for Art & Wind Festival – May 25

By Dr. Laubach



Please join us in the Memorial Day Tribute flag ceremony at the San Ramon Art & Wind Festival on Monday, May 25. This will also help fulfill the second

class rank requirement for an outdoor flag ceremony. Look for future details in the upcoming permission slip.

Point Reyes 10-Mile Backpacking – May 30-31

By Mr. R. Chan

Save the weekend of May 30th for the Pt. Reyes backpacking outing. This trip will provide an opportunity to learn how to properly pack and wear a backpack, use backpacking tents and equipment, and experience the wide variety of backpacking food

options. And more important, we will have an opportunity to spend time in an area known worldwide for its beauty.

Details coming soon.



10- and 15-Mile Bike Ride – May 9

By Mrs. Kim

On May 9th we have **two bike rides** for scouts sponsored by the Dragons patrol. The scouts can choose either a 10 mile bike ride or 15 mile bike ride. It is important that if a scout turns in the 10 mile permission slip, he rides the 10 mile route. And, if a scout turns in the 15 mile permission slip, he rides the 15 mile route.

Both routes start from the new Rancho San Ramon Community Park off of Bollinger Canyon Road near Windemere. We will ride south along Dougherty Road in the bike lane until we catch the Alamo Canal Trail at Old Ranch Road. From this point on, we will have a mostly flat, car free ride until we reach Pleasanton. The 10 mile route breaks and turns around at Val Vista Park. The 15 mile route continues on then turns onto the Pleasanton Canal Trail, goes through the parks, catches the Iron Horse Trail, then follows Dougherty Road back to Ranch San Ramon Community Park.

Parents are welcome to join their scout on either ride. It will be a fun day!

Please turn in your permission slip by Tuesday, May 5th. If you



haven't had a bike check yet, please bring your bike for a quick check at 6:30 pm. See you there!

This Month's Theme: Water Fun

Outings

10- and 15-Mile Bike Ride

When: May 9

Where: Alamo Canal Trail **Adult in Charge:** Mrs. Kim **Patrol in Charge:** Dragons **Permission Slip Due:** May 5

Art & Wind Festival Flag Ceremony

When: May 24-25

Where: San Ramon Central Park Adult in Charge: Mr. Laubach Patrol in Charge: Order of the Arrow

Permission Slip Due: TBD

Relay for Life

When: May 30-31

Where: California High School Adult in Charge: Mr. Screechfield Patrol in Charge: Order of the Arrow

Permission Slip Due: TBD

Point Reyes Backpacking

When: May 30-31 Where: Point Reyes

Adult in Charge: Mr. R. Chan

Patrol in Charge: BPs Permission Slip Due: TBD

Meetings

May 5 - Troop Meeting

May 12 - Troop Meeting

May 19 - Troop Meeting / Parents

Meeting

May 25 - Memorial Day - No

School

May 26 - PLC / BOR

May 29 - Roundtable

May 14 - ASM Meeting

Unit Scouters of the Year

By Dr. Laubach



We have a lot of wonderful adult volunteers to make our Troop the best it can be. Every year, we have a very special award called the **Unit**

Scouter of the Year that we present to someone in our Troop that has gone above & beyond. They will be honored at the 2015 Meridian District Dinner and Awards Ceremony, Thursday May 28th

This year, we are very proud to announce that we have two recipients



Stella Yu Lei &

Dirk Dougherty! Stella has done such wonderful work with revamping our T805 Website & Dirk has done a fantastic job over the years as our Newsletter editor. Congratulations to both of you! Well deserved!

Quartermaster Resources

By Mr. Evans

It is the mission of the Troop 805
Quartermasters to provide quality
equipment and supplies, in the
correct quantity and in a timely
manner, to support Troop 805...
So begins the mission statement of
the new section of the Troop 805
website dedicated to distributing
information about this essential
function of our Troop. Check out
the site for information for
Leadership, Equipment, Policies,
Processes, Forms and Cleaning
Instructions.

Fages II Hike- June 6

By Mr. Carstensen

On Saturday June 6th, Troop 805
Order of the Arrow will be
sponsoring our participation in the
annual Fages II hike. The Fages
II hike starts and ends at Camp
Herms and includes very scenic
areas in both Wildcat Canyon and
Tilden Parks. Covering a
distance of 22 miles, this hike is
easily the toughest hike our troop
schedules each year. Successful
completion of Fages satisfies the
Hiking merit badge requirement of
a 20 mile day hike.

The Fages II hike is open to Scouts.12 years or older who have adequately trained for this distance. "Adequately Trained" means that you MUST have completed a BSA sponsored backpacking trip or day hike of at least 10 miles.

The outing cost is \$15, and includes a very unique Fages II patch and a sponsored lunch about midway through our hike. Each participant needs to bring \$10 for dinner a dinner stop on the way home. This will be a day long hike, with a departure of 6:00 am from Sycamore Park and Ride and a return time of approximately 8:00 pm. See the permission slip for additional details concerning recommended gear and other important information.

Permission slips and a copy of your current medical form (parts A, B, and C) are due no later than

the troop meeting of May 26th.

Hope to see vou there!

Processes, Forms and Cleaning you there!
Instructions.

Next Month's Theme: Camping

Outings

Fages II

When: June 6
Where: Camp Herms

Adult in Charge: Mrs. Carstensen **Patrol in Charge:** Order of the Arrow **Permission Slip Due:** May 26

Camp Cherry Valley

When: June 21-27

Where: Camp Cherry Valley

Adult in Charge: Patrol in Charge:

Permission Slip Due: TBD

Meetings

June 2 - PLC / BOR

June 9 – Troop Meeting / Parents Meeting

June 16 - Troop Meeting

June 21-27 – Camp Cherry Valley

June 25 - Roundtable

June 30 - PLC / BOR

June 4 – ASM Meeting

Summer Camp Parent Meetings – May 19, 2015 (Cherry Valley) & June 9, 2015 (Wente)

By Dr. Laubach

We will have two summer camp Parent meetings...Tuesday May 19th for Camp Cherry Valley & Tuesday June 9th for Camp Wente. We will meet at the library right after flags. We will go over all the logistics, so this meeting is mandatory for the parents of the camp participants!

Summer Camp Medical Forms due no later than May 28th

By Tracy Marshall



MEDICAL FORMS: Please remember medical forms are required for all scouts and adults attending summer camp. Please plan accordingly as doctor appointments may need to be planned. They also require a Tetanus booster shot within the LAST 10 YEARS.

We need the following:

1. Fill out the latest Medical Form Part A, B, and C

You can get a copy of the latest medical form by following this link.

2. For Part "B" - please remember to have <u>BOTH</u> parents SIGN the form

3. For Part "C" - please have your son's doctor fill this portion out and the doctor must SIGN part C If you have not done so already, Make sure to schedule your doctor's appointment ASAP



4. We need a ONE PAGE photo copy of your primary Insurance Card (FRONT and BACK) attached to the medical forms.

In summary, we need all parts (A, B, and C) filled in (SIGNED by a parent on part B and SIGNED doctor in part C AND photo copy of your insurance card (one page) - front and back of the card.

Note: Please list all medications expected to be sent to camp. If you son has food allergies/restrictions, please include this information. This would be a good time to be sure you have enough of any prescription or OTC medications needed. These should be in their original containers and will be given to one of our summer camp medical ASM the morning of camp departure.

PLEASE REMEMBER: All MEDICAL FORMS and copy of the insurance card are <u>DUE</u> no later than May 28th, 2015

Relay for Life-May 29-31

By Mr. Screechfield and Mrs. Miyao

We will be assisting and participating with the American Cancer Society at their premiere local fund raising event Relay for Life. Here are the details on both parts of the event:

Service for the Event

As we did last year we will need scouts and adults to help with setup and take down for the 24 hour event. We also need scouts to perform the Relay Opening Flag Ceremony. Participation will count for Service Hours needed for rank advancement.

You can sign up for one, two or all of the following time slots:

- Setup: Friday, May 29 from 5 pm to 7 pm.
- Flag Ceremony: Saturday, May 30 from 9:30 am to 10:30 am.
- Take Down: Sunday, May 31 from 10:00 am to 12 noon.

The event will be held at Cal High School at 9870 Broadmoor Drive in San Ramon at the Football Stadium (we meet at the snack shack).

This is also a great opportunity to satisfy part of requirement 7 for Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge. Scouts must consult with a Merit Badge Counselor at least a week **PRIOR** to the event to understand the requirements.

For questions, please contact Kent Screechfield at 925-570-1999 or kscreechfield@trcsolutions.com.

Permission slip is at the following URL:

http://troop805.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/2015-05-29-26-Relay-for-Life-Service.pdf

The permission slip needs to be returned to your Patrol Leader by **Tuesday, May 19, 2015.**

Participation at the Event – For troop parents and their friends & family

Relay for Life Event - Join our team! Friends of Troop 805

Our troop will have an adult team for the American Cancer Society's upcoming event - Relay for Life. It will be held at California High School in San Ramon on May 30 & 31.

If you want to be part of our team - walking the track, enjoying music and games, hanging out with a great community of people, and raising money to make a difference in the fight against cancer - sign up today to be part of our team (adults only please).

Every Relay for Life event is a time for family and friends to honor cancer survivors, remember those lost to this disease, and raise funds and awareness to help end cancer forever.

Too many people will be touched by cancer this year. Relay for Life events are our opportunity to inspire hope by raising funds and awareness to help those facing the disease. I hope you will join us!

If you are unable to join us, but would like to donate to the team, please use the link below or talk to me. Any amount is appreciated!

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to reach out to me at barbara.miyao@gmail.com or call me at (925) 556-0602.

http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR? fr_id=68252&pg=team&team_id= 1828315

Help wanted...Newsletter article editor

By Dr. Laubach

Are any of you wonderful parents wondering how you can help out the Troop? We need someone to step up to eventually take over as the T805 Newsletter article editor. Please email me at CC@Troop805.org if you are interested.

Educational Series: Special Mother's Day Edition

By Dr. Laubach, Adapted from Examiner.com



Look no further than the Scout Law for Mother's Day gift ideas

Scouts, are you still looking for "that perfect gift" for Mom, this Mother's Day? Concerned that she won't like your gift unless you spend a lot of money on it? Think again. With a little creativity, you just might give her a gift that she'll remember long after the flowers and chocolates are gone. Look no further than the Scout Law for Mother's Day gift ideas that are worth more than money. Pick one or two of the Laws and craft your gift around them. Tell her that her present, this year, is inspired by the Boy Scout Law; she'll love it...Scout's Honor!



A Scout is Trustworthy: Make her a promise; one you intend to keep. Ask her to tell you a secret; she'll depend on you to keep it between the two of you. Don't let her down.



A Scout is Loyal: Practicing loyalty means being faithful. Let Mom know that the next time she requires something of you, you'll do your best to do it without hesitation. Honor her by making a picture collage of your favorite pictures of the two of you, or pictures of the whole family.



A Scout is Helpful: Volunteer to do your Sunday chores before she has to ask, and tell her that you don't want allowance this week. Mother's Day is for Mom so be sure she doesn't have to do the dishes, laundry, vacuum or clean YOUR room.



A Scout is Friendly: Make her a big Happy Face pancake, breakfast in bed. Write her a cheerful note and leave it somewhere you know she'll find it during the day. Make a special effort to get along with your brother and sister all day long, even if it hurts.



A Scout is Courteous: Say "please", "thank you", and "excuse me" all day long. Hold her door open; offer her your chair; ask her to tell you her favorite story of when you were a baby and don't interrupt her through the whole story.



A Scout is Kind: If you have pets, offer to feed them before being told. Give them a bath. Head outside and clean up their stuff. Invite Mom for a walk in the neighborhood and when you go, bring along a bag and practice Leave No Trace. Buy a seedling and plant it with her.



A Scout is Obedient: Here's your chance to really make her smile. Just for the day; one day, don't talk back. And watch the body language. No shoulder-shrugging, eye-rolling, head-nodding or deep sighs allowed.



A Scout is Cheerful: Whistle while you work. Sure, a lot of the things you do for Mom on her special day are, let's face it, not as fun as camping and fire-building. A little whistle, quiet song, or funny joke will lighten the mood and make her smile while she watches you work. Seeing you happy makes Mom happy.



A Scout is Thrifty: Giving Mom the gift of the Scout Law is itself, thrifty. If you intend to buy her a gift, make it one she will love, but consider the cost. Ask Dad to take you to the recycler with the family cans and bottles in order to pay for her gift. Use your own money; it will mean so much more to her when you do.



A Scout is Brave: Bravery is not something you have to "prove". It happens when it happens. A Scout faces danger even if he is afraid. He stands up for what he knows is right. Give Mom a symbol of that bravery as a gift: a plaster mold of your fist (she'll love keeping this as you get older), a hand-crafted lion or tiger, a heart-shaped locket with your picture in it.



A Scout is Clean: Too easy! Before you're told, make your bed, shower, comb your hair, put on a clean shirt and straighten your room. She won't believe her eyes. "Clean" gift ideas for her include a bath set, perfume, gift certificate for a massage, manicure or pedicure.



A Scout is Reverent: Volunteer to say the dinner blessing (be sure to say a little something "extra" about Mom). Ask Mom to dial Grandma on the phone so you can wish her a "Happy Mother's Day" too. If church isn't a routine for Mom, invite her anyway, to "give it a try". Once there, light a candle in her honor, or write a prayer request and put it in the collection basket.

Scouters constantly look for clever ways to remind the boys to deploy the Scout Law in their daily lives.

Mother's Day presents just such an opportunity. Give Mom the gift of the Scout Law.









TROOP 805 2014/2015 Outings Activities Calendar

November (Service/Kamikaze Platypi)

- 5 Miles Easy Hike (11/1 Sat) Yellow Jackets J.
 Garrahan
- Webelos Open House (11/04 Tue) P. Alexander
- Scouting for Food (11/08 Sat: Distribute Flyers 11/15 – Sat: Food Pickup) – OA – B. Miyao
- Mini Golf (11/15 Sat) Kamikaze Platypi P.
 Alexander

December (Easy Holidays/Scorpions)

- CO2 Car Racing (12/6 Sat) Dragons P. Alexander
- Bowling (12/7 Sun) Yellow Jackets C. Jasty,
 G.Natesen
- Sacramento Tour (12/13 Sat) Scorpions R. Chan,
 J. Marshall

January (Blasting into the New Year/Yellow Jackets)

- New Year Easy Hike (01/10 Sat) Huskies New ASM
- 30th Anniversary CoH (01/06)

February (Winter Sports/Kamikaze Platypi)

- 10 Mile Bike Ride (Sun 02/08) Yellow Jackets K.
 Chan
- 30th Anniversary Party (Sat 02/07)
- Intermediate Snow Camping (Sat 02/14 Mon 02/16) –
 Kamikaze Platypi T. Gary, R. Mahoney
- Beginner Snow Camping Snow Shoe (Sun 02/15 Mon 02/16) Honey Badgers K. Screechfield, B. Miyao

March (Trek Lightly/Dragons)

- Kiwanis Service Youth to Youth (Sat 03/07) OA N. Matsunaga
- Shooting Sports Day (Canceled) T. Huen
- 10 Mile Bike Ride (Sat 03/21) Lightning T. Gary
- Scout Skills (Fri 03/27 Sun 03/29) Wolverines J.
 Marshall

April (Skillz/Wolverines)

- School Service Project (Tue 04/07) OA T. Huen
- Sunol Backpacking & Morgan Territory Backpacking (Sat 04/11 Sun 04/12) BPS K. Screechfield, R. Mahoney, R. Chan and T. Gary
- 15 Mile Bike Ride (Sat 04/18) Huskies TBD
- Camporee (Fri 04/24 Sun 04/26) Scorpions J.
 Garrahan and R. Chan

May (Water Fun/Lightning)

- 15 Mile Bike Ride (Sat 05/09) Dragons –S.
 Kim
- Art & Wind Festival Food Booth (Sun 05/24 Mon 05/25) – OA – E. Laubach
- Relay for Life (Sat 05/30 Sun 05/31) OA –
 K. Screechfield
- Pt. Reyes 10 Mile Backpacking (Sat 05/30 Sun 05/31) BPs T. Gary and R. Chan

June (Camping/Huskies)

- Fages II (Sat 06/06) OA A. Carstensen
- Camp Cherry Valley (Sun 06/21 Sat 06/27)

July (Fishing/Radioactive Gummies)

- July 4th Parade (Sat 07/04) OA S. Evans
- 25 Mile Bike Ride (Sat 07/11) Lightning TBD
- Camp Wente (Sun 07/12 Sat 07/18)
- Pulmas 25 Mile Backpacking (Fri 07/24 Mon 07/27) BPs- R. Chan
- Donnor Fishing (Fri 07/24 Sun 07/26) –
 Radioactive Gummy G. Aikin, G. Coughlin

August (Science/Honey Badgers)

- Hiller Aviation (Sat 08/01) Honey Badgers New ASM
- Emigrant Wilderness 50 Miler Backpacking (Sun 8/09 – Sat 8/15) – BPs – R. Mahoney, R. Chan
- 2 x 25 Bike Ride (Sat 08/22 Sun 08/23)
 Flaming Arrows T. Gary, R. Mahoney

September (Rocking it/Dragons)

- 9/11 Memorial Service (09/11) OA S. Kim
- Advance Camp (Sat 09/26) Dragons S.
 Kim

October (Haunted/Scorpions)

- Black Diamond Mine (Sat 10/10 Sun 10/11)
 Radioactive Gummy –T. Huen
- USS Hornet (Sat 10/17 Sun 10/18) –
 Scorpions New ASM
- 50 Mile Bike Ride (Sat 10/24) Wolverines J. Marshall, R. Chan

Troop 805 2014 Leadership Chart

