

Troop Tidings

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Breaking News! Philmont and National Jamboree - The Adventure Awaits...

We have exciting news! The Troop has won the lottery for Philmont 2017.

The dates for the 12 Day Trek are: July 16 - July 28th, 2017.

During the month of January 2016, we will be discussing this trek and also discuss the 2017 Boy Scout National Jamboree. Unfortunately, both Philmont and National Jamboree overlap weeks, hence a scout can only choose between one or the other, but not both.

2017 National Jamboree is Wednesday July 19th to July 28th, 2017. Please note that we will have a "touring" element - so the scouts will be touring Washington DC and some other areas before arriving at Summit Bechtel on July 19th. Therefore, the Scout most likely will be leaving July 14 or 15 (still need to be determined).

Just to be clear, to attend the Philmont 12 Day Trek, the scout must meet these requirements by July 2017:

- 14 Years old, or
- 13 and have completed the 8th grade.
- Train with the crew (crew size is 10 scouts and 2 adults)
- Typical trek distance is about 60 80 miles

For attending National Jamboree in 2017, the Scout must:

- 12 Year old or 11 and have completed 6th grade
- Be First Class
- Complete an interview process with the Jamboree Scoutmasters (*this is a*

- real interview and it is possible that scout may not be selected)
- Train with the Jamboree troop (troop size is 36 - including adults). NOTE: Jamboree troop is a new troop made up of scouts from troops across our council.

We plan to discuss both activities in the January troop meetings and in coming parent meetings.

COMMITMENT: If a scout is interested in attending Philmont 2017, we must collect a \$100 (non-refundable) deposit. Also, we need to have 10 scouts and 2 adults. If we can not fill this crew by January 30th, 2016, we will lose our Philmont 2017 spot.

L.E.A.D. (Leader Education and Discovery)

By: Mr. Screechfield



KYLO REN was poorly trained. See where that got him? Don't make the same mistake! Register for L.E.A.D. (Leader Education and Discovery) which will be at DVC on January 30th. Cost is \$55 and includes lunch. Register at http://www.bsa-mdsc.org/training/adult/leader-education-and-discovery-lead

Train You Must!

This Month's Theme: Business

Outings

Mt. Saint Helena

When: January 16-17 Where: Mt Saint Helena Adult in Charge: Mr. Chan Sponsored by: TBD

LEAD Training

When: January 30

Where: DVC Pleasant Hill

Sponsored by: Mt Diablo-Silverado

Council

Meetings

January 5 - COH

January 12 - Troop Meeting

January 19 - Troop Meeting

January 26 - PLC / BOR

January 28 - Roundtable

January 14 – ASM Meeting

Intermediate Backpacking Trip February 27-28



Join us on an adventurous overnight backpack trip through three local regional parks. We'll warm up Saturday with a five mile hike into Round Valley Regional Preserve, climbing 850 feet, and camping overnight at Round Valley Group Campground.

Sunday we'll hike through the Los Vaqueros Watershed and into Morgan Territory Regional Preserve, stretching our legs with about eight miles of hiking and 1,400 feet of climbing through some fantastic country.

This is a late February backpack, and we'll go rain or shine, so bring good boots, good rain gear and an adventurous spirit! This moderately strenuous intermediate-level backpack is open to scouts with previous backpacking experience and good fitness levels.

More <u>information</u> and <u>permission</u> <u>slip</u> are online. Contact Mr. Gary with any questions.

Beginner and Intermediate Snow Camping



Beginner - Feb 13th - 14th Intermediate - Feb 13th - 15th

Mt Saint Helena Hike & Overnighter Reminder



Dates: Saturday-Sunday, January 16-17, 2016

Meet: Saturday, Jan 16th 7:30AM

@ Sycamore Park & Ride

Pickup: Sunday, Jan 17th 3:30PM @Sycamore Park & Ride

Attire:

- Class B uniform is to be worn traveling to and during the hike.
- Class A is to be worn during the Petrified Forest tour and the return home.

Contact Mr. Ray Chan if you have questions.

Coming in March...

March 5 – Shooting Sports Day March 12 – Spring Clean Up March TBD - Kiwanis Service

Next Month's Theme: Winter Activities

Outings

Snow Camping

When: Beginner Feb 13-14, Intermediate

Feb 13-15 **Where:** TBD

Adult in Charge: TBD

Intermediate Backpacking

When: February 27-28

Where: Round Valley Regional Preserve

Adult in Charge: Mr. Gary

Permission Slip Due: February 9, 2016

Meetings

February 2 - Troop Meeting

February 9 – Troop Meeting

February 16 - Troop Meeting

February 23 - PLC / BOR

February 25 - Roundtable

February 11 – ASM Meeting

New Boy Scout Requirements in 2016



Starting January 1st, 2016, there are new requirements for Boy Scouts – Scout to First Class. Troop 805 will be implementing the new requirements for all incoming new scouts. For existing scouts, the transition plan is as follows:

- Boys registered in a troop on or before Dec. 31, 2015, who are working on Tenderfoot through First Class ranks, may continue to use the old requirements through 2016, but they must convert to the new requirements upon attaining the First Class rank.
- Boys registered in a troop, team, crew or ship on or before Dec. 31, 2015, who have completed the First Class rank may complete the rank they are currently working on with the old requirements through 2016, but then must convert to the new requirements for subsequent ranks. (For example, a First Class Scout working on Star can finish Star with the old requirements but must use the new ones for Life.)
- Any boy registering in a troop for the first time on or after Jan. 1, 2016, must use the new requirements.

We plan to hold information sessions to cover the new requirements. The new scout handbooks will be in scout stores shortly. If you have any questions, please contact Ray Chan.

Camp Wente Details



Here are important details regarding this summer's Camp Wente outing.

Date: June 26 – July 2, 2016

(Sunday – Saturday)

Drop off: Sunday, June 26,

8:00AM @ Sycamore Park n Ride

Pick up: Saturday, July 2,

4:00PM @ Sycamore Park n Ride

Location: Wente Scout

Reservation, Willits, CA (map)

Cost: \$450 + \$? Transportation Cost + extras for merit badges

Required:

- A check of \$200 nonrefundable deposit made out to Troop 805
- Camp reservation form and
 Permission slip due December
 15th at PLC
- BSA Health Form (All parts A,
 B, and C) due June 7th at Troop
 Meeting

Details:

- <u>Presentation deck</u>
 General Info on Summer camp
- <u>Suggested packing list</u> This is just a suggestion. Most scouts won't bring all of them.
- Wente Leaders guide Last summer's but contains loads of info on Wente
- <u>Daily schedule at camp</u> Last summer's (for reference only).
- <u>Merit badge schedule</u> Last summer's (for reference only).

Timeline:

12/15/2015: Reservation form, permission slip, and 1st payment of \$200 due

1/26/16: 2nd payment of \$100 due 2/23/16: 3rd payment of \$150 due

6/07/16: BSA Health Form due

6/26/16: Departure

7/02/16: Return

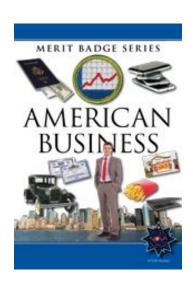
By Dr. Laubach, Adapted from Boy's Life

MERIT BADGE REQUIREMENTS

American Business



Earning the American Business merit badge can help Scouts learn practical business matters that will be useful throughout life. Learning how businesses function will help you understand society and uncover a number of career options.



Requirements

Do the following:

- Explain four features of the free enterprise system in the United States. Tell its benefits and responsibilities. Describe the difference between freedom and license. Tell how the Scout Oath and Scout Law apply to business and free enterprise.
- Describe the Industrial Revolution. Tell about the major developments that marked the start of the modern industrial era in the United States.
 Tell about five people who had a great influence on business or industry in the United States. Tell what each did.

Do the following:

- Visit a bank or credit union. Talk with one of the officers or staff. Chart the organization of the financial institution. Show its relationship with other banks, business, and industry.
- Explain how changes in interest rates, taxes, and government spending affect the flow of money into or out of business and industry.
- Explain how a proprietorship or partnership gets its capital. Discuss and explain four ways a corporation gets its capital.
- Explain the place of profit in business.
- Name five kinds of insurance useful to business.
 Describe their purposes.

Do the following:

• Pick two or more stocks from the financial pages of a newspaper. Request the annual report or prospectus from one of the companies by writing, or visit its website (with your parent's permission) to view the annual report online. Explain how a company's annual report and

- prospectus can be used to help you manage your investments.
- Pretend you have bought \$1,000 worth of the stocks from the company you wrote to in requirement 3a. Explain how you bought the stocks. Tell why you decided to buy stock in this company. Keep a weekly record for three months of the market value of your stocks. Show any dividends declared.

Do ONE of the following:

- Draw an organizational chart of a typical central labor council.
- Describe automation, union shop, open shop, collective-bargaining agreements, shop steward, business agent, and union counselor.
- Explain the part played by four federal or state agencies in labor relations.
- Run a small business involving a product or service for at least three months. First find out the need for it. For example: a newspaper route, lawn mowing, sales of things you have made or grown. Keep records showing the costs, income, and profit or loss.
- Report:
- How service, friendliness, hard work, and salesmanship helped build your business.
- The benefits you and others received because you were in business.
- Comparable 4-H, FFA, or Junior Achievement projects may be used for requirement 5.

Do ONE of the following:

- Make an oral presentation to your Scout troop about an e-commerce company. Tell about the benefits and pitfalls of doing business online, and explain the differences between a retailer and an e-commerce company. In your presentation, explain the similarities a retailer and an e-commerce company might share.
- Choose three products from your local grocery store or mall and tell your merit badge counselor how the packaging could be improved upon so that it has less impact on the environment.

• Gather information from news sources and books about a current business leader. Write a two-page biography about this person or make a short presentation to your counselor. Focus on how this person became a successful business leader.

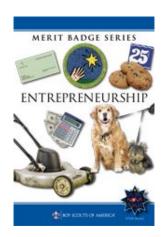
For more Merit Badge fun, Scouts can also earn the Entrepreneurship merit badge.



By earning the Entrepreneurship merit badge, Scouts will learn about identifying opportunities, creating and evaluating business ideas, and exploring the feasibility (how doable it is) of an idea for a new business. They will also have the chance to fit everything together as they start and run their own business ventures.

More information about this Merit Badge is available online at

http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/BoyScouts/AdvancementandAwards/MeritBadges/mb-ENTR.aspx



Youth Business books

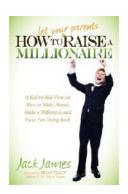
By Dr. Laubach, Adapted from Amazon.com

There are tons of books on Youth Business to spark interested youths. One of the keys is to introduce it it to them in a fun easy manner. Here are three examples along with their Amazon descriptions:



Kidpreneurs: Young Entrepreneurs With Big Ideas! by Adam Toren

You've heard the saying, ""It's never too late." We say, "It's never too early!" Even children can be introduced to basic business principles and the rewards of entrepreneurship. The goal with Kidpreneurs is to outline some basic tools and strategies kids can use to gain some valuable experience in starting, managing, and growing a successful business venture. Through easy-to-understand basic principles and a creative approach, we outline some key techniques that will have a powerful and positive impact on your child's ability to understand entrepreneurship. Using kidfriendly design and illustration, they break down some of the major points of entrepreneurship, so your child can have fun as he or she learns. Also, your child will enhance his or her decision-making skills by trying out simple businesses as he or she grows up. Tomorrow's future starts today, help plant the seeds for a stronger future.



How to Let Your Parents Raise a Millionaire: A Kid-to-Kid View on How to Make Money Make a Difference and Have Fun Doing Both by Jack James

Jack James is an ordinary kid. At the age of 10 his mom encouraged him to start his own business. He decided to write a book to encourage other kids who are thinking about starting a business. Jack's book is written from one kid to another.

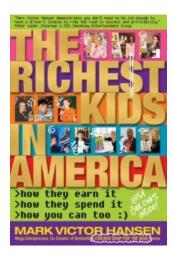
In How to Let Your Parents Raise a Millionaire Jack tells other kids the story of how he started his business, Jack's Garbage Valet, He explains how easy and fun it can be and explains exactly why other kids should strive to become entrepreneurs.

Jack's book is full of kid-friendly business plans, flyers, invoices, and more to help any kid start their own business in 5 days! There are plenty of great books out there about kids and business. This book is different; it is the unique story of how one kid did it. It's Jack's story. It is personal, practical, easy to read, encouraging and fun.

Things any kid can learn by starting their own business:

- -You'll learn self-confidence without arrogance.
- -You'll learn the word "No" is just a part of business. "No" does not mean "I don't like you."
- -You'll make money and learn how to save.
- -You'll help people and see how special giving back can make you feel.

Youth Business books (continued)



The Richest Kids In America: How They Earn It, How They Spend It, How You Can Too by Mark Hansen

Get ready to meet some amazing entrepreneurial superstars who are living their dreams and making a big difference doing it. They've shared their stories to inspire you, teach you, and show you that your own opportunities are endless. How did they discover their passion? What were their first steps to building their business? Who supported them along the way? Why do they all choose to give back to their community? In this book you'll learn the key principles that catapulted each of these incredible young entrepreneurs to success and how these same principles will lead you to a life of ultimate fulfillment.

TROOP 805 2015/2016 Outings Activities Calendar

November (Team Building/Radioactive Gummy Bears)

- Webelos Open House (Tue:11/03) Scout: TBD Adult: J. Marshall
- Indoor Rock Climbing (Sat:11/7- Sun: 11/8) Scout: TBD Adult: TBD
- Scouting for Food (Sat: 11/14 Distribute Flyers Sat: 11/21 Food Pickup) DA Adult: S. Yu, E. Laubach
- Mini Golf (Sun: 11/15) Scout: Brian L. Adult: J. Garrahan

December (Science and Academics/Mutant Narwhals)

Exploratorium (Sat:12/12) Scout: Sam M. – Adult: B. Miyao, H. Wong

January (Business/Yellow Jackets)

- Mt. Saint Helena Camping/Hike (Sat: 01/16 Sun: 01/17) Scout: TBD - Adult: R. Chan
- San Francisco Federal Reserve Tour (POSTPONED) Scout: TBD -Adult: S. Evans, S. Yu

February (Winter Activities/Flaming Arrows)

- Intermediate Snow Camping (Sat: 02/13 Mon: 02/15) Scout: TBD
 Adult: TBD
- Beginner Snow Camping Snow Shoe (Sat: 02/13 Sun: 02/14)
 Scout: TBD Adult: TBD
- Intermediate Backpacking Training Hike/Camp Out (Sat: 02/27 Sun: 02/28) Scout: TBD – Adult: T. Gary

March (Shooting Sports/Yellow Jackets)

- Kiwanis Service DATE TBD OA Adult: N. Matsunaga
- Shooting Sports Day (Sat: 03/19 Scout: TBD Adult: T. Huen)

April (Backpacking/Goodmen)

- Scout Skills (Fri: 04/01 Sun: 04/03) Scout: TBD Adult: R. Chan, D. Benveniste
- School Service Project (Tue: 04/05) OA Adult: J. Ghatta
- Sunol Beginner Backpacking (Sat: 04/16 Sun: 04/17)
 Scout: TBD Adult: S. Kim, D. Benveniste
- Intermediate Sunol to Del Valle Backpacking (Sat: 04/16 Sun: 04/17) Scout: TBD – Adult: T. Gary
- Meridian Camporee (Fri: 04/29 Sun: 05/01) Scout: TBD Adult: R. Chan

May (Animal Science/Cobras)

- Fages II Training Hike (Sat: 05/07) Scout: TBD Adult: K. Chan
- Yosemite (Fri: 05/13 Sun: 05/15) Scout: Jimmy B. Adult: S. Evans, J. Garrahan
- Monterey Bay Aquarium (Sat: 05/21- Sun: 05/22) Scout: Jacob L.
 Adult: C. Jasty, H. Wong
- Art & Wind Festival Flag Ceremony (Mon 05/30) OA Adult: E. Laubach, Y. Yamada
- Relay for Life (Sat 05/20 Sun: 05/22) OA Adult: B, Miyao, A.

June (Climbing and Exploration/Dragons)

- Fages II (Sat 06/04) OA Adult: K. Chan
- Spelunking/Campout (Sat: 06/04 Sun: 06/05) Scout: TBD Adult: T. Huen
- Camp Wente Summer Camp (Sun 06/26 Sat 07/02) (R. Chan)

July (Aquatics/Huskies)

- July 4th Parade (Mon 07/04) OA Adult: P. Alexander
- Sea Kayaking (Fri 07/08 Sun 07/10) Scout: TBD Adult: TBD
- Northern Tier (Sat: 07/16 Mon: 07/25) Scout: TBD Adult: T. Gary, S. Evans
- Donner Fishing (Fri: 07/22 Sun: 07/24) Scout: TBD Adult: D. Benveniste, H. Wong, Y. Yamada

August (Cardiovascular Fitness/Goodmen)

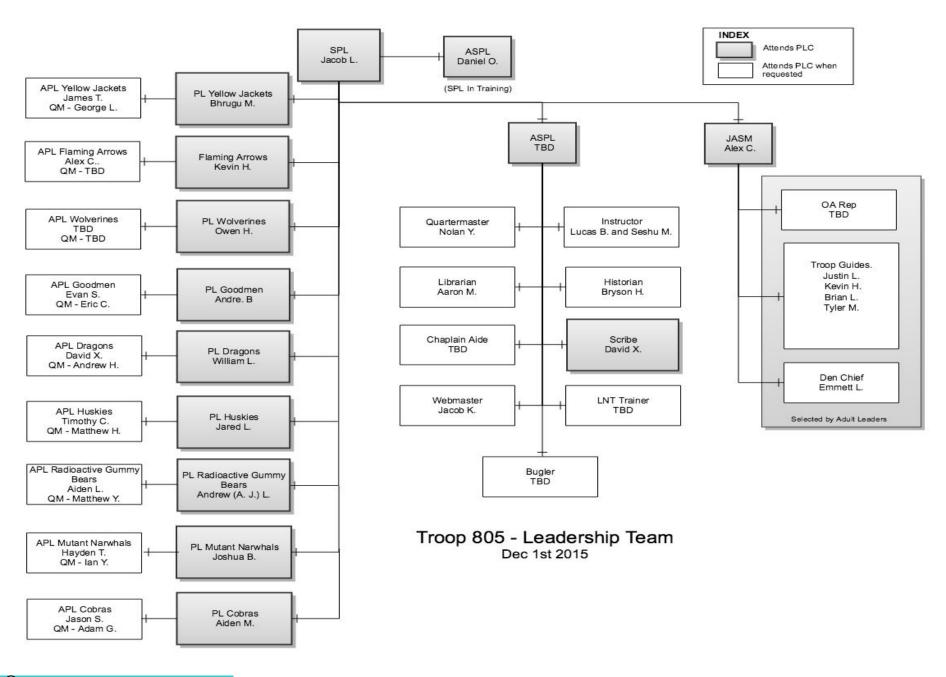
- Troop Olympics (Tue 08/02) Scout: TBD Adult: R. Chan
- Pt. Reyes (Fri: 8/12 Sun 8/14) Scout: Nolan Y. Adult: P. Alexander

September (Citizenship/Wolverines)

- 9/11 Memorial Service (09/11) OA Adult: E. Laubach
- Fall Camp Out (Fri 09/16 Sat: 09/17) Scout: TBD Adult: A.Mo
- Advance Camp (Sat 09/24) Adult: E. Laubach

October (Navigation/Wolverines)

- Camping and Orienteering "Scouting O" (Fri 10/14 Sun 10/16)
 Scout: TBD Adult: S. Kim
- San Jose Tech Museum (Sat: 10/22) Scout: TBD Adult: C. Jasty, Y. Yamada



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