

**Boy Scout Troop 16  
Oak Park, Illinois  
November 1, 2018**

Dear Scouting Family:

We trust that November is a time of thankfulness for all of you. We are thankful for having a great troop of Scouts to work with. We are also thankful for all the adult help and support given throughout the year.

**Wreath Business**

From our wreath sales committee: **HELP NEEDED! 22 scouts have not turned in any wreath sales numbers!** If you haven't reported any wreath sales yet, please reply to this email with your sales numbers. All scouts should keep selling wreaths! Please remember that **our goal is 30 wreaths sold by each scout**. Money collected can be turned in at troop meetings or dropped off at Mr Tresselt's house (333 N. Harvey).

**Patrol Wreath Sales Competition:** Currently The Pink Panther Patrol is leading with an average of 25 items, followed by The Flaming Potatoes (19 items) and The Chipmunks (19 items).

Since we order more than are currently sold, **boys should continue to sell**. Anyone selling a 72" or 84" wreath needs to call Mr. Tresselt (708-848-5040) to confirm availability.

**Wreath Unloading – ALL SCOUTS: Saturday, Nov. 17 at 8:30 AM**

**Wreath Pick-up Times: Saturday, Nov. 18 after wreath unloading or throughout the following week**

**Location:** Biek's home, 440 N. Linden (Linden and Chicago Ave.), Thank you, John and Tina!

**Please continue to encourage your scout to sell wreaths until they're all gone!**

**November Campout**

**Note that signup is tomorrow, Friday, November 2**, for our trip to BSA Canyon Camp, Stockton, IL November 9-11. If your scout won't be at Friday's troop meeting, but still plans to go on the trip, he must contact his patrol leader to inform him (before Friday). **Late sign-ups will NOT be accepted**. We are also in need of drivers, so please let your scout know if you can help.

**2019 Registration**

It's time for re-registration! Each calendar year, the troop must register with the national and local Boy Scout council. Registration is \$50 (\$62 with Boys' Life magazine). Please pay your dues promptly. Order of the Arrow members should also pay the OA dues of \$15. You were sent a registration email last week. A re-registration form is attached to this email. Registration payment must be received no later than November 16.

**Summer Camp 2019 –** Believe it or not, we're already thinking summer camp at Camp Makajawan! Save the dates for camp: July 7-20, 2019. Scouts can attend for one week or both weeks. Wreath sales can dramatically reduce the cost of summer camp for your scout!

**Assistance for scouts**

Troop 16's adult committee believes that no scout should opt out of troop activities or events due to a financial hardship. Through our fundraising and donations, funds are available to assist in paying fees for troop activities and events. If your scout is in need of this type of support, contact Jim Bicak to confidentially discuss ways in which the troop can help assist in supporting your son's involvement in scouting.

**Troop Committee**

Our Troop Committee meeting this month will be held on Tuesday, November 6, at First United Church from 7:30 to 9:00 PM. We encourage and welcome all parents to attend.

Sincerely,

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Jim Bicak, Committee Chair, 445-8156 or [jsbicak@aol.com](mailto:jsbicak@aol.com)

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## Current Calendar

<b>November</b>			
<b>2</b>	Troop Meeting	7:30 PM	Dodgeball! / <b>Campout signup</b>
<b>6</b>	Adult Comm. Mtg.	7:30 PM	Parents invited (church meeting room or hall)
<b>9-11</b>	<b>Campout</b>	7:00 PM	BSA Canyon Camp, Stockton, IL
<b>16</b>	PLC meeting	6:30 PM	for scouts with leadership positions
<b>16</b>	Troop Meeting	7:30 PM	Invention Night (Duncan)
<b>17</b>	Wreath arrival / Wreath Pick-up	8:30 AM 11:00 AM	440 N. Linden (Linden and Chicago Ave)
<b>23</b>	No meeting		Thanksgiving Weekend
<b>30</b>	Troop Meeting	7:30 PM	Trivia Night (James)
<b>December</b>			
<b>4</b>	Adult Comm. Mtg.	7:30 PM	Parents invited (church meeting room or hall)
<b>7</b>	Troop Meeting	7:30 PM	Merit Badge Night (Quinn)
<b>14</b>	Troop Meeting	7:30 PM	Pinewood Derby (Adam/Eric)
<b>21</b>	PLC meeting	6:30 PM	for scouts with leadership positions
<b>21</b>	Troop Meeting Court of Honor	7:30 PM 8:00 PM	High Adventure Slide Shows (SPL) Court of Honor – all parents invited - Sanctuary
<b>Dec 28</b>	No meeting		Merry Christmas/Happy New Year
<b>Jan 4</b>	No Meeting		Happy New Year