

Troop 843 Committee Meeting Minutes  
December 13, 2004

Attendance: Irene Miller, Bob Billups, Bob Cromley, Debbie Dorph, Diane Gearinger, Selwyn Dias, Connie Everhart, and Steve Tirpak.

Treasurer's Report-Selwyn Dias. No report this month, treasurer is a little behind. He will have a report for January 2005.

Advancement Coordinator-Irene Miller. So far this month we have 9 rank advancements and 15 merit badges.

Training Coordinator-Dave Dennison. Not present.

Equipment Coordinator-Steve Tirpak. Michael U. is planning a trailer cleanout. We be in touch with the patrol quartermasters when this is planned. New dining flies- will look at the new Cabela's over the holidays.

Outdoor Activities Coordinator- Connie Everhart.

- \* Bushwhack-24 people signed up so far. Jan. 14-16, Tod Jervey is the ESA.
- \* Crawlathon - Jan. 28-30, Bob Cromley ESA. 10 scouts and 4 adults signed up.
- \* Summer camp at Camp Friedlander- July 3<sup>rd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>. Permission slips and information will be out by March.
- \* Philmont-June 13<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>-Tod Jervey and Irene Miller are the leaders. Scouts include Jon D., Brennan D., Ben B., Trip S., Nick J., Jake M.

Eagle Scout project presentation-Brian M. He will be building 45 foot stools for the Olentangy School District to be used in computer labs for the disabled. He did an excellent job with the presentation and his project was approved.

Old Business:

- \* New Troop Policies were passed and will go into effect on 1/1/05.
- \* Holiday Wreath fundraiser was a success. It was decided repeat fundraiser next year but start in October to ensure better participation and profits.

New Business:

- \* A Venturing patrol for our troop is being pursued. We need to check with the pastor to see if they will charter a crew. This crew would consist of both male and females and the rules would be different from the troop. Irene Miller motioned to have a crew and Connie Everhart second it. All were in favor and the motion was passed to have a crew formed.
- \* Troop 844 will be joining Troop 843 in a dual charter. We will nurture new Boys Scouts for one year. They will be a New Scout patrol within ours and have their own leadership amongst the troop. Our boys will mentor them and get them ready to go off on their own.

\* Our troop Librarian, Jakob H., gave us an update on the library. He is in need of at least two 2005 Requirement Books as well as a Citizenship in the World merit badge book. We have had some donations to meet this need. If any Scouts have Merit Badge books they are not using anymore, please donate them to our library to keep us current.

\* A question was brought up as to if new scouts would pay a full fee to join the Boys Scouts troop... the answer is yes and that the pack should adjust their fees for the Webelos II's since they are only in the pack for half of the year.

\* A new Eagle Scout Project Committee was formed to review Eagle Scout projects. Having a smaller group of adults who review the projects would help with keeping consistency for the boys and allow the Committee Meetings to be shortened. Irene Miller, Diane Gearinger, Bob Billups, and Don Everhart volunteered for the committee. The project committee chairperson is Irene Miller. Scouts must contact Irene when prepared to present their project.

\* Mr. Billups let it be known that he would be absent from scouting from March 5<sup>th</sup> through the 31<sup>st</sup>. He will need a count of the number of rank advancement by March 4<sup>th</sup> in order to have time to get us the patches the boys would receive. Mr. Billups also made a suggestion that during the Holly Days bazaar the senior citizens made a generous amount of money on a bake sale. He thought that would be an excellent opportunity for the boys to earn money doing the same next year. A suggestion was also made that the boys could sell wreaths and swags for a fundraiser outside the bazaar next year. The committee will look into this.

\* Recharter has been completed.

\* Blue and Gold Banquets are coming up. We've asked for volunteers to help with this fundraiser. Pat Choban, Tod Jervey, Chris Rapp, and Debbie Dorph have volunteered to help. Others have volunteered to prepare food.