



Troop 23 – Hot News August 23, 2021

TROOP CALENDAR:

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| • 8/23 - Monday 7-8:30 p.m. | Fall Kickoff Meeting at Northside Park |
| • 8/29 – Sunday 2 p.m. | Eagle Court of Honor: Michael Halter and Jacob Halter |
| • 8/30 – Monday 7-8:30 p.m. | Troop Meeting at First Pres |
| • 8/30 – Monday 7:10 p.m. | Parent Meeting at First Pres |
| • 9/06 – Monday | NO Troop Meeting due to Labor Day Holiday |
| • 9/10-9/12 – Fri-Sun | Campout: Warren Dunes, MI |
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TROOP MEETING INFO:

- Our first troop meeting and fall kickoff is Monday 8/23 from 7-8:30 pm at Northside Park.
- The 8/30 troop meeting will be outdoors at First Presbyterian Church from 7-8:30 pm. There will be a parent meeting this same evening starting at 7:10 pm. This meeting will kick off the Troop's Christmas Wreath fundraiser, lots of information and details will be provided. Parents will meet in the sanctuary at First Pres.
- There will be no troop meeting on Labor Day, Monday 9/6.

EAGLE COURT OF HONOR:

On Sunday August 29th there will be an Eagle Court of Honor Ceremony for Michael Halter and Jacob Halter at 2 p.m. Please contact Kelly Rojas if you are able to assist with setup and preparations for this event.

2022 CONSENT FORM, HEALTH FORMS, DUES, AND PROGRAM FEES- DUE 9/13/21:

This week, Troop 23 families will receive an e-mail regarding forms and fees for next year. **Families please note annual fees for Troop 23 are increasing this year by \$25 to total \$375.** As in past typical years, we will collect these annual fees in two parts -- \$150 in Dues and \$225 in Program Fees. Dues are largely a pass-through to Three Fires and Boy Scouts of America, while Program Fees fund Troop 23. In past years, Program Fees have been waived if Scouts sold a certain amount in wreaths and met a basic fundraising level. Details on that will be shared in upcoming communications regarding 2021 fundraising.

This year, Dues and Consent Forms are being collected a few months earlier than usual because Three Fires has revised its re-chartering years from January-December to November-October. Program Fees will continue to be collected in late December or early January depending on when final fundraising results become available.

In addition, a significant number of Scouts also need to turn in new health forms. Typically, all Scouts who attended Summer Camp would be current with health forms; however, the July timing of Summer Camp in 2020 allowed many Scouts to use their 2020 Health Forms for Summer Camp 2021. The email you will receive regarding 2022 Forms and Fees will let you know if new health forms are needed for your Scout.

All Scouts looking to be a part of Troop 23 in 2022 must submit the 2022 Consent Form, current Health Forms (if not already on file), and \$150 in Dues to the Registration Table at an upcoming meeting no later than Monday, September 13, 2021 in order to be included on the official Troop 23 roster. Dues can be paid by cash, check, or Scout Account funds.

If a Scout has decided to no longer participate with Troop 23, please contact Jeff Jeffers (frankjeffers@yahoo.com) so we can update our records accordingly.

SCOUT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- **BEAT THE EAGLE 5K IN LOMBARD-SATURDAY AUG 28, 7 A.M. – 9 A.M.**

Up to 10 Scouts are needed to pass out water to runners at a water station for an up-coming 5K

that benefits St. John's School in Lombard. Mr. Summers & Mr. Noordhoek will be there on site to coordinate & instruct the volunteers and will sign-off on the 2 hours of service. The location of the water station is Lincoln St & Taylor Rd. Participating scouts are welcome to attend the Expo after the race for doughnuts & hot dogs. Contact Mrs. Evans at devans2960@gmail.com if you plan to volunteer.

- **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PICNIC-SUNDAY 9/12**

First Pres is hosting its welcome back picnic on Sunday 9/12. Scout volunteers are needed to assist with takedown of tables, chairs, etc.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS AND/OR FEEDBACK, PLEASE CONTACT:

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