



# TROOP 93 Newsletter

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## *Upcoming Events*

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| March 25    | Troop Meeting<br>7:30 Scout Building    |
| March 27-29 | Camp-O-Ree<br>Chatham County Wildlife   |
| April 1     | Troop Meeting<br>7:30 Scout Building    |
| April 8     | Troop Meeting<br>7:30 Scout Building    |
| April 9     | Committee Mtg/PLC<br>7 Scout Building   |
| April 15    | Paleontology Lab<br>6:30 Scout Building |
| April 17-19 | Paleontology Trip                       |
| April 22    | Troop Meeting<br>7:30 Scout Building    |

## **Budgeting for Trips**

The recent camping trips have been costing more than the boys are being charged. This may be due partly to increasing prices but also due to a lack of planning to stay in budget. The boys are given an amount to plan to spend per person and a headcount. The per person cost for a typical weekend's food will now be set at \$10 – up from \$8 and a laminated chart is going to be developed with typical food items and costs to help for planning in the patrol meetings.

## **Committee Meeting**

The next Committee meeting is April 9, 2009 at 7:00 pm in the Scout Hut. As is always the case, the meeting is open to all adults. This is a great opportunity to get information and present information, ideas or concerns to the troop committee. All adults with a position within the troop should attend and provide an update.

## **Camp-O-Ree**

The district camporee will be a Fish-O-Ree at the Chatham County Wildlife Club March 27-29. The cost will be \$20 for the weekend, which includes a

# **A Scout is Reverent**

badge. The departure time will be 5:30 on the 27<sup>th</sup> from the hut.

## **Merit Badge Counselors**

We are in need of some new merit badge counselors. The Troop website has a complete listing of merit badges. We need all adults to check this out and see if there are any areas where you have a vocation, avocation or special training and can help the boys by becoming a merit badge counselor.

Merit badge counselors who are already registered with the troop will not need to re-register. Please contact Dan Owens if you are willing to help out.

## **Fossil Hunting**

We will be going on a Paleontology dig trip April 17-19. We will be digging in 2 different sites in Eastern North Carolina. In preparation for this trip our April 15 troop meeting will be a trip to a lab at UNC Chapel Hill where Dr. Joe Carter will show us around and do some lab activities. Vans will be needed to carpool up in as few cars as possible. Parking is impossible so after drop off the cars will be parked off site and one person will stay with their car to ferry drivers. Please let us know if you can help shuttle.

## **Summer Camp**

The troop is going to Ottari this summer. 47 boys and 5 adults have signed up. Any adults planning to camp with the boys need to have Youth Protection. Check to see when it is offered next. The Ottari facility also includes Mountain Man and New River Adventures for the older scouts. In addition scouts may go to other camps without the troop. If you would like to attend another camp

please let Randall know so he can coordinate.

## **Ottari Payment Due Now!**

The next \$50 Ottari payment is due. The troop has to send our payment in and we need to have collected sufficient funds to do this. Please be sure to pay by March 25<sup>th</sup>, the next scout meeting. Your spot at camp is not assured without this payment. The total will be around \$255-\$295 and can be paid in installments with all due by May 1.

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