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1. Wednesday Evenings 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM, Christ Episcopal Church, 1040 Border Road, Los Altos, CA 94022
2. Approx. 70+ in the troop
3. Troop 30 engages in a wide variety of program activities and outings. One or more snow camping trips are taken during January ranging from car camping to snowshoe/backpacking. Cave exploration and repelling at Moaning Caverns is a typical March outing, while class 3, 4, and 4+ river rafting trips occur in May/June. Numerous Rim of the Bay hikes are scheduled throughout the year, as are kayaking trips, overnight campouts and multi-day backpack trips.
4. Our summer program is largely focused on attending a BSA summer camp, typically Oljato for the two week session. New Scouts are encouraged to attend at least one of the two weeks. Parents/guardians are also encouraged to attend to expose them to Boy Scouting and Camp Oljato. Other recent summer activities have included a canoe trip, backpacking in the Sierra, and a 50 miler at Philmont Scout Ranch. Some activities may be limited to 1st class and above.
5. Patrol meetings are scheduled about once a month at an off site meeting.
6. We conduct numerous Merit Badge classes during the year for both Eagle required and non-required Merit Badges. We encourage all new Scouts to achieve 1st class within one year of joining the Troop. We devote Troop meeting time to working on advancement for new Scouts and we have ASMs and Troop Guides oversee and track the progress. A number of new Scout oriented outings and campouts are included to help boys complete their rank advancements.
7. Packs/schools your troop draws from: We welcome Scouts from any Pack. Typically Scouts have come from Packs 33, 77, 80, 103, 105 and 501. Schools include Almond, Loyola, Oak, Graham, Montclair, Cupertino Middle School, Blach, and Egan. Also, Los Altos, Mountain View, Homestead, Bellarmine, St. Francis, Palo Alto, and Gunn High Schools.
8. 2008-9 annual dues are \$48 plus a Scout BSA registration fee of \$10. An additional \$11 for a subscription to Boys Life is optional. Adult registration fee is \$10 per year.
9. One parent or guardian is expected to register and provide support to the Troop. Parent volunteers are needed to help coach and guide the Scouts on planning and executing their activities. If interested, parents are encouraged to become Assistant Scoutmasters. Also, volunteers are needed for Friends of Scouting, popcorn sales, Rim of the Bay hikes, hospitality, event and outing planning, etc. The load is spread across many people.
10. Communication is primarily by e-mail, supplemented by our troop web site (www.troop30.us), a phone tree (when necessary), weekly announcements, troop calendar and a monthly parent's meeting. A number of new parent orientation meetings are held in March/April during regular Troop meeting times.
11. If you are interested in visiting one of our weekly please have your den leader contact our scoutmaster.