

# Troop 33 News

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Troop meetings in January will be on the 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup>.

The Patrol Leaders' Council will meet at 6:00 pm on the 6<sup>th</sup>.

The Parents' meeting will be at 8:00 pm on the 6<sup>th</sup>.

The campout will be at Camp Morrison on the 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. It will be a winter survival training and experience campout. After checking in on the 16<sup>th</sup> the Troop will set up a sleeping area in the hall. On the 17<sup>th</sup> there will be classes on winter camping and building shelters. After the classes the Troop will be assigned a campsite where they will build snow shelters in preparation for sleeping. On the 18<sup>th</sup> there will be competition. We will leave on the 19<sup>th</sup>.

The Troop Committee will meet on the 29<sup>th</sup>.

**New Year's Day is on the 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Boise Schools will be closed through January 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Martin Luther King Day is on the 19<sup>th</sup>.**

**University of Scouting will be on the 24<sup>th</sup>.**

## February 2009

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Troop meetings in February will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> will also be a potluck dinner and Court of Honor.

The Patrol Leaders' Council will meet at 6:00 pm on the 10<sup>th</sup>

The Parents' meeting will be at 8:00 pm on the 10<sup>th</sup>.

The February campout will be the annual ski/snowshoe trip to Camp Sawtooth. The Troop will gather at the church early on the morning of the 14<sup>th</sup> and travel to the SNRA headquarters area. From there we will load our packs on our backs or sleds and ski or snowshoe to Camp Sawtooth. We will leave Camp Sawtooth about 10 am on the 16<sup>th</sup>, President's Day.

This annual campout is one of our family campouts. Troop families are invited to join us. Scouts will sleep in the lodge. Most adults and siblings will sleep in Turner Rest which has electric heat. The only water at the camp is carried in from the overflow about 100 feet from the kitchen. The only restroom facilities are two outhouses.

In addition to the normal campout costs for food and gas on this campout we have costs associated with using the camp. Camp Sawtooth charges us \$8.00 per night per camper. Generally the Troop likes to have the fees paid before the campout. The Scoutmaster and the Troop Committee will have established the fees for this campout by the next newsletter.

The Troop Committee will meet on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

## March 2009

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Troop meetings in March will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

The Patrol Leaders' Council will meet at 6:00 pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup>

The Parents' meeting will be at 8:00 pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The March campout is scheduled for Wilson Creek in Owyhee County on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. This will be a warm up campout for the Willow Creek Camporee in April. We will be practicing orienteering and other Scout skills.

The Troop Committee will meet on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

## April 2009

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Troop meetings in April will be on the 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup>.

The Patrol Leaders' Council will meet at 6:00 pm on the 7<sup>th</sup>.

The Parents' meeting will be at 8:00 pm on the 7<sup>th</sup>.

The April campout will be the Willow Creek Camporee on Big Willow Creek north of Emmett. This annual Scout competition requires the Scouts to work as a team. Patrols compete as a unit. In addition, the Troop competes for top honors. Various Scout skills are involved including first aid, Scout knowledge, archery, flag etiquette, knots and lashings, fire building, obstacle course and orienteering. Orienteering may be the most important skill the Scouts will practice at the Camporee. They use it to get to their events. Each patrol is given a map and a set of compass bearings and distances. They are required to use this information to proceed from event to event. The Scouts need to think while they are hiking to each event as they will encounter a number of the events that also line up as they are going from one to the other. If they are careful they will hit the event they are aiming for.

The Troop Committee will meet on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

