



Pack 405 Fall News



Oct 2009

Welcome to Fall and all the exciting things going on this month. Here are some key dates to remember.

~Oct 5th Den meeting

~Oct 8th and 9th popcorn show and sell starts.

~Oct 10th Overnight camp out at Spruce Pine Lodge

~Oct 19th Halloween Den mtg/pack mtg at church

~Oct 24th and 25th camping at BW Wells with Troop 405

~Oct 26th Treyburn Nursing Home Pumpkin Carving Service Project at Treyburn Nursing Home 7pm

~Oct 31st Readyman for Webelos 2 or any Webelos who have not completed this yet.

Thanks to Heather Harden, Dylan Hardens Mom for participating in the BALOO training today at Westminster.



It's that time again, time to sell popcorn. We start our Show and Sell Oct 8th and 9th, Voyager Is closed so any scouts who go to school there could help with popcorn sales. I will be there with the scouts, I would like to have 2 tables, one at Lowe's Home Improvement, and one at Kroger on Roxboro rd.

Sat Morning Oct 10th, we will have a table at Northern High Schools Farmers Market. We need volunteers to manage that table. We will sell popcorn every Sun through Oct, other than the 11th since we are camping. I will be sending out an email for popcorn table sign up dates. Please respond back to the email with what day you can help with popcorn sales.

We have 55 cases of popcorn to sell. It sounds like a lot but it really isn't. Remember that if you fill up a popcorn form, your scout wins a marshmallow shooter. Fill up 2 forms they earn 2 shooters. So lets sell some popcorn!!!



For those who are camping Oct 10th. I have been asked if we can camp Fri night as well. The answer is Yes, I am happy to camp Fri night as well and anyone who would like to join us is welcome. Fri night you would be responsible for cooking your own dinner. The kitchen will be set up for anyone to use. Sat the pack will provide lunch and Hot dogs and Hamburgers for dinner. We ask everyone to bring a side to go with dinner. (We will also provide smores and drinks.) This year we will do centralized cooking. That means we will have a “kitchen” setup and a couple of volunteer cooks. The Web 1’s will be learning to clean, boy scout style. We will mainly be using paper products to eat off of, unless you really want to do a lot of washing. Since this campout is for one night, there is no point in everyone bringing cooking items. My ulterior motive is for the kids to see the adults working together as a team. There is no greater role model for the scouts than their parents. We will have scouts visiting from other packs who may be joining, so this campout is mainly to have fun together as a pack and to introduce ourselves to some fellow scouts. There will be an itinerary sent out Wed night after the committee meeting. I guarantee there will be fun for all so you will not want to miss this. If for some reason you cannot camp please feel free to come out for the day and stay for the campfire. This is the high light of the evening.

I know there are a handful of adults who are taking the S.E.T.(Safe environment Training) Oct 10th and I am one of them so first thing in the morning I will be leaving to go to this, but will be back promptly. I would suggest arriving between 11 and 12 at the group camp site.

So what do I need to bring:

Tent and tarp or ground cover

Toiletries and Toilet Paper

Sleepingbag /pillow and blanket

Bug Spray/Sun screen

Camping chairs

Wet wipes or hand sanitizer

Change of Clothes

Rain parka (just in case)

Snacks you may want in between meals and drinks. ~Flashlights~ Extra batteries.

If anyone could donate fire wood for the campfire, that would be great.

And finally many of you were interested in going on a trip to the USS Yorktown. We have been invited by Pack/Troop 451 to go with them. If we waited and put in for a trip, we would not be able to go until this time next year. You literally have to reserve a year in advance. Since they have already done this, we can tag along and enjoy this trip. I went last year and can say that we will have a blast. So if you are interested here is what I know.

SUBJECT: USS Yorktown - Friday, December 4 to Sunday, December 6, 2009

WHO: Bears, Webelos, Boy Scouts, parents, and siblings (over the age of 8).....(if a sibling is under 8 there must be a parent to sleep with them. Men and Women have separate quarters. This includes boys and girls. There will be Male den leaders to handle the boys, but young siblings need a parent with them.)

This is a great trip for Moms and Dads. No cooking; no washing dishes, and no sleeping on the ground. We sleep on bunks in the crew quarters with running water, showers and A/C. All meals will be provided in the Petty Officers' Mess.

WHEN: Friday, December 4 to Sunday, December 6, 2009. We leave the Scout Hut at 11:00 AM on Friday morning, so Scouts need to tell your principals to expect your absence. Your principal will most likely grant you an excused absence as an educational field trip because we are camping on board a "floating" museum. (Fill out an excused absence form available at your school) This is also a great way to get some requirements taken care of as well.

INTERESTING FACTS: For some interesting facts about the WWII, USS Yorktown (CV-10) please visit:

<http://www.chinfo.navy.mil/navpalib/ships/carriers/histories/cv10-yorktown/cv10-yorktown.html>

COST: Cost for Cub Scouts is \$75.00 if they provide their own transportation. Parents and siblings pay the same rate as their Scouts.

SPECIAL NOTES FOR DEPARTURE ON FRIDAY: Everyone must meet on Friday at 11:00 AM at the Scout Hut which is located at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3639 Old Chapel Hill Road, Durham. The cross streets are Old Chapel Hill Road and Shannon Road. It is across the street from the Shannon Road Post Office, 27707.

Even if you choose to provide your own transportation, you **MUST** meet at the Scout Hut at 11:00 AM. We have to leave together and arrive together on Friday because we will not be permitted to board the ship until our entire group has arrived.

Eat a big breakfast Friday morning, and bring \$6.00 for a fast food dinner en route.

SPACE IS LIMITED - \$15.00 DEPOSITS: Sign up for this trip will be at the Oct 10th campout. Please supply the \$15.00 per person deposit by check made out to Pack 405. You will get a receipt for your deposit.

WHAT TO BRING: Everybody needs to bring \$6.00 for a fast food dinner en route on Friday, some spending money, water bottle, a light sleeping bag or sheets and a blanket, rain gear, a light jacket, and a change of clothes. You do NOT need eating utensils, cooking equipment, tents, etc. Once again, we sleep on bunks in the crew quarters, and we eat in the Petty Officers' Mess.

Packing List:

sleeping bag or sheets and a blanket
pajamas
small flashlight
light jacket for the day and heavier coat for nights and mornings
change of clothes
personal hygiene kit with towel, soap, and toothbrush
rain gear even though no rain is in the forecast
spending money (\$10.00?)
water bottle

Avoid bringing tennis shoes with rollers in the heels as their use is not permitted on board the Yorktown.

You do NOT need tents, cooking equipment, nor mess kit.

Special Note for Packing: Keep in mind that we will be carrying equipment up narrow stairways. Do not over pack.

WHAT TO EXPECT

For a better idea as to what to expect from this trip, you can view photos from our 2005 and 2003 trips to the USS Yorktown at:

http://www.troop451durham.org/Photos_2005/YT5001.html

<http://www.troop451durham.org/Archives/2003/YT301.html>

[To learn more about Patriots Point, you can visit their website at: www.patriotspoint.org](http://www.patriotspoint.org)

Thanks, Brendan
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What I can add to this is that we will need to carpool together and have dinner together (pizza) on the way down. This is a great trip that will probably be our big trip of the year.

Thanks again and I look forward to seeing everyone Sat. (Or Fri if you really want to camp both nights!) If we can manage to get all of our popcorn sold plus each scout fill up a popcorn order form, we should have enough money to pay for the scouts to go on this trip. Parents will probably still need to pay their way.

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