

# **Boy Scout Troop 197**

## **Troop Committee Minutes**

### **Dec. 05, 2011**

The meeting was held at St. Philip's at 7:30 PM. Attending: Ken Groue, Howard Bruce, Mark Stout, Jim Dinn, Lee McWilliams, John Becker, Dan Semetko, Wooty Sixel, Pat Deeves, Ernie Davis, Jeff Larson, Gina Biekman, Naomi Sauerzopf, Jarrod Aden and John Curry.

Our December campout will be to Enchanted Rock, Dec. 17-19, Friday through Monday. Jim Dinn has contacted the rock climbing outfitter. The fee will be \$65.00 per person for the rock climbing and \$25.00 for food and other expenses. As of this meeting, 13 scouts have signed up to go with 9 opting for the climbing program.

We discussed the disappointing turnout for the fall merit badge fair. We had only two boys attend. A strong effort will be made to get our scouts signed up for the Spring Merit Badge Fair April 21, 2012.

Beginning on January 12, the first meeting of the new year, Ernie Davis will begin teaching Personal Management Eagle required merit badge at 7:00 PM. Other merit badges such as Citizenship in the Community and Communications will be offered at 7:00 PM before the regular meeting during the spring.

We discussed plans for Troop 197's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, Monday, January 2, 2012 from 2-5 PM in the Fellowship Hall at St. Philip's. Pack 197 will participate in this event and we are happy to have them join us. Wooty Sixel and Pat Deeves have accepted the responsibility for refreshments for this event. A voluntary contribution of \$20.00 per family given to Gina Biekman is requested to help with event expenses.

A design for the commemorative patch was decided upon and Mr. Becker will buy 300 of these distinctive patches for the event and for future presentation to new scouts.

Dan Semetko had some great program ideas displaying our skills and equipment. He suggested we do Dutch oven popcorn like we did for Scout Fair. A recognition of all Eagle Scouts in attendance will be a highlight of the event.

We shall invite anyone who has ever been associated with Troop 197 to attend. Mark Stout contacted the Scout office and got a copy of old Eagle Scouts. John Curry will make the effort to contact as many of these people as possible. We hope to contact as many former scouts and scouters to be able to attend this function.

Please bring a \$35.00 check for rechartering made out to Troop 197 this month. This is for scouts and adult committee members as well.

Our next meeting will be Monday, Jan. 09, 2012.