

### Troop Plans for April 2013

- Tuesday, April 2 - TROOP MEETING: Camp Cooking Demo: Dutch Ovens, Dishes, and Bears!
- Monday, April 8 - [PLC](#) and Committee Meeting, 7PM
- Tuesday, April 9 - TROOP MEETING: Bear BAGS! And UCOM service for some
- Tuesday, April 16 - TROOP MEETING: Campout Planning and Dodgeball
- Fri-Sun, April 19-21 - TROOP CAMPOUT: Canoeing the Okefenokee!
- Tuesday, April 23 - TROOP MEETING: Whipping and Fusing, and PT for Tenderfoots
- Tuesday, April 30 - TROOP MEETING: Nine-Square on the Basketball court
- Monday, May 6 - [PLC](#) and Committee Meeting, 7PM
- Tuesday, May 7 - TROOP MEETING: [Troop Leader](#) Nominations
- Tuesday, May 14 - TROOP MEETING: [Troop Leader](#) Speeches & Elections

Scouts: please suggest Troop meeting ideas to your Scout Leaders the last week of the month before the PLC meeting.

### NEW SCOUT CAMPOUT, 2013

March 15th-17th the troop camped out at [Camp Blanding](#) (Florida's Military base) for the weekend. We all got to the church at the usual 5:30 pm and left at about 6:00 pm. It was about an hour and a half car ride which I had to spend in the back seat of Zack's truck. Thanks Zack! When we got there we unloaded the trailer and taught the new scouts how to set up the dining fly. The next day everyone split up into two groups, each group went canoeing and participated in the training courses on base. These ranged in variety from getting bricks across a series of pegs without falling and getting a barrel across an imaginary river. When we got back the older scouts manned different stations to teach the new scouts about knife safety, building fires, tying knots, and using axes. On the final day, we went to the climbing wall and got to climb up different sections of the wall. Then once we finished we all rode back home. A huge thank you to all the adults that made this trip possible!

*Submitted by Josh Milon.*



View all the pictures from the new scout campout at <http://troop35jax.org/gallery/20130315/index.html>

### UCOM

As a Troop, we have a monthly commitment to volunteer at [UCOM](#), United Community Outreach Ministry. The second Tuesday of each month a few Scouts accompanied by a Scouter or two assist during the Troop meeting. If you are interested in volunteering, sign up in the Scout room by the first week of the month. Scouts, thank you for your Service!



*Scouts bagging items at UCOM*

### APRIL CAMPOUT

This month's campout will be **April 19-21** at [Stephen Foster State Park](#) (FL). In addition to practicing our camping skills and canoeing, Dr. Beaver is organizing a service project for us to help the park. We will plan for the campout at the April 16<sup>th</sup> Troop meeting. Hope to see you at the campout!

### CAMP CARDS FOR SALE

Some Scouts received Camp Cards at a Troop meeting at the beginning of this month. The Camp Card offers discounts to many businesses in our local community, such as Publix, Black Creek Outfitters, Dave and Busters, Chili's and many others. Camp Cards sell for \$5 each; and our



Troop earns 50% commission on all sales. Camp Card money is due May 14<sup>th</sup>!

### SUMMER CAMP, 2013

This year camp is July 14-20, 2013 at [Camp Woodruff](#). We have 25 Scouts and 7 Scouters attending camp this summer. Ten new Scouts will be participating in the Mountain Man Program and all scouts will raft the [Nantahala River](#). An exciting adventure awaits the Scouts!



*Troop 35 rafting the Nantahala in 2012*

### SUMMER 2013 HIGH ADVENTURE

Mr. Bailey reports Trek 12 (a southern region trek) has been awarded to our Crew, which includes camping on Mt. Philips. Scouts will continue training for Philmont with an Ocala National Forest training hike May 18 & 19, and another in Georgia in June. Details will continue to be posted at <http://troop35jax.org/philmont2013/>.



### SPRING COH

Spring Court of Honor will be June 11<sup>th</sup>. Scouts remember to request your Scoutmaster Conferences in advance.

### SCOUTMASTER REPORT

- The troop is doing well, and all New Scouts have the Scouter Rank.
- Mr. Altman and Mr. Boggs are well on their path to ASM, and are enthusiastic!
- Ten Scouts participated in the April 7th Orienteering Course for First Class.
- Remember, We are PREPARED!

### TREASURER'S REPORT



We are fine financially. Mrs. Andersen reports a busy month, with summer camp, campout, and Philmont being the primary transactions.

### THINGS ON THE HORIZON...

May 3 - 5, 2013 [Council Boy Scout Camporee at Kenyon Farm](#)

May 11, 2013 Troop Day Trip: Mountain Biking [Hanna Park](#)

June 11, 2013 Spring [Court of Honor](#)

June 5-7, 2013- Troop Campout: [King's Bay Sub Base](#)

July 13 - 28, 2013 [Philmont Trek](#)

July 14 - 20, 2013 [Summer Camp](#) at Woodruff

<http://troop35jax.org/calendarouting.html>



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### COMMITTEE POSITIONS

A huge thank you to Kirk Altman for stepping up and taking on Webscouter! We still need a Roundtable Representative to attend the monthly Council meeting and the monthly Troop Committee meeting. All Scouts deserve good leadership.