

Troop Plans for January 2015

- Monday, January 5 - PLC and Committee Meeting, 7 PM
- Tuesday, January 6 - TROOP MEETING: Guest Speaker, Blue Card Bonanza, Preparations for new scouts
- Tuesday, January 13 - TROOP MEETING: Backpacking Demo, Menu Planning for Gold Head
- Friday-Sunday, January 16-18- BACKPACKING: [Gold Head State Park](#)
- Tuesday, January 20 - TROOP MEETING: Court of Honor Preparations, Chaplain's Minute
- Tuesday, January 27- WINTER COURT OF HONOR
- Monday, February 2 - PLC and Committee Meeting, 7 PM
- Tuesday, February 3 - TROOP MEETING: A-Frame Race Game, Scout Sunday Planning
- Sunday, February 8 - SCOUT SUNDAY & PANCAKE BREAKFAST

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

WINTER BLAST: DEC. 26-31, 2014

Winterblast was great this year. We got to sleep in the tree houses. Our troop earned a lot of merit badges and we learned lots of new things. The day after Christmas we set off for Camp Shands. Once we got there, we ate lunch and went to our afternoon merit badge classes. Then we went to dinner. Once we finished dinner, we walked to the opening ceremony and watched the staff perform skits. That night, we slept comfortably in the tree houses.

We followed the same schedule for the rest of the week, beginning with breakfast, followed by morning merit badge classes, had lunch, followed by afternoon merit badge classes, had dinner, and then went to our night activities. The weather was much warmer than you would normally expect this time of year. Overall, it was a great trip. The food was really good. The scouts and counselors all had a great time.
Written by Colton Champion

ADVANCEMENT

The Winter Court of Honor is January 27th in the Family Life Center (FLC). The WinterBlast badge list is huge: remember to finish any partials. January BORs are Tuesday, January 13, make sure you are signed up.



SCOUT SUNDAY & PANCAKE BREAKFAST, FEBRUARY 8

February 8 is the anniversary of scouting and Boy Scouts of America is 105 this year! Our troop shows our appreciation to our charter organization, Southside United Methodist Church, and its congregants annually on Scout Sunday. We will prepare a pancake breakfast and have a demo camp site set up outside of the church. The sign-up sheet is in the scout room.



HIGH ADVENTURE 2015: NORTHERN TIER

We're going to Canada! This trip is full. See Mr. Bailey with any questions.

Remaining Northern Tier Payments:

- \$600 due January 15, 2015
- \$400 due March 1, 2015



SUMMER CAMP 2015: CAMP OTTARI

Mark your calendar now! Summer Camp 2015 will be

July 19-25, 2015 at [Ottari](#) in Virginia. Sign up now in the scout room. The payment schedule is as follows:

- deposit of \$50 past due
- \$100 payment due February 3rd
- \$100 payment due March 3rd
- \$150 payment due April 14th

Reserve your spot now, new Scouts will be crossing over in February.

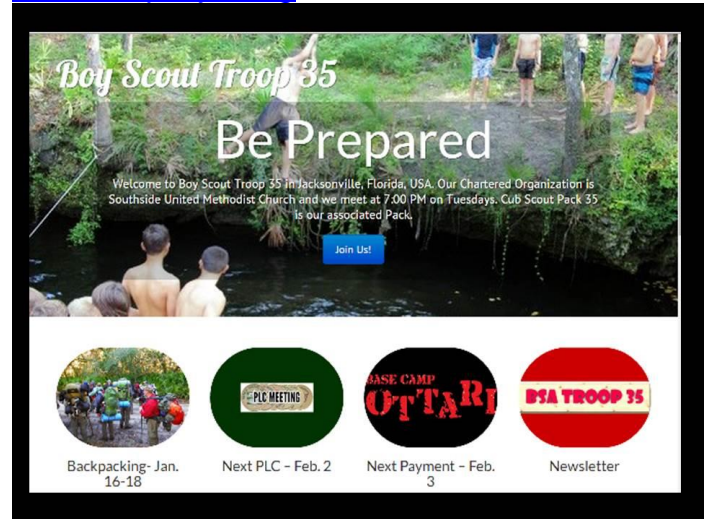
TREASURER'S REPORT

All dues have been collected and our recharter has been submitted. The troop remains in good financial standing.



NEW TROOP WEBSITE

Have you checked out the new troop website? All the latest and greatest information you need is at your fingertips. Check it out at www.troop35jax.org



SCOUTMASTER REPORT

The Troop had a great 2014 and we continue to observe success in delivering a quality BSA experience to the scouts of Troop 35. Accomplishments are too numerous to mention in the confined space of a "minute", but suffice it to say our expectations are being met and exceeded on all aspects of the boys' performance and growth. Our parental involvement in the Committee is strong, but we have some gaps. My hope for 2015 is that some more of the fathers of scouts come forward and volunteer a little time in committee functions. Thanks to all our wonderful volunteers in the Committee and the ASM's for their efforts in continuing the tradition of excellence in delivering a first-rate BSA experience to the scouts of Troop 35!



-Scoutmaster Knowling

THINGS ON THE HORIZON...

Fri-Sun, Jan. 16-18 – Backpacking Trip: [Gold Head State Park](#)

Tuesday, Jan. 27 – Court of Honor

Sunday, Feb. 8 – Scout Sunday