



The TRAILBLAZER



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CALENDAR NOW

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7 TROOP MEETING 1930-2100

PRE OPENING:::



*Design your own ideal summer camp!
What would your camp be like?*



Or your idea for a summer camp patch

OPENING::: BEARS

IN THE HOLE :::: are you ready for the Christmas party ???

SCOUTCRAFT::: **a time to share** --- do you have a skill you would like to share in just a few minutes?
Scouts and Scouters too..... Check with the S/M before 1930

GAME::: Surprise Game ---ASMs

SERVICE PATROL:::BEARS



14 TROOP MEETING

1930-2100

Opening: SPL **Food:** Troop Committee **Desserts:** Bring your Favorite **Closing:** Scoutmaster **Service Patrol:** All

Games: **donut on a string**---Bears **pool:** Jude **bowling:** Vedaant **darts:** Isaac



If you wish, Bring gloves, mittens, socks, etc for those in need

Gift Exchange:: \$10 limit



21 no troop meeting this week or next week



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Christmas

Take time to count your many blessings, remember the real meaning of the day, and enjoy time with your

28 NO TROOP MEETING **How about a patrol meeting during the break?**

Be sure to let the S/M know what your plans are!



31 New Year's Eve ---

Stay Safe!



Jan 1 *What does the new year mean for you?*

Jan 3==AIA at MA—listen for details, scouters!

Jan 4

TROOP MEETING 1930-2100

PRE OPENING::: types of fires -- Green Bar

OPENING::: Firesticks

IN THE HOLE :::: start the new year by working on your advancement

SCOUTCRAFT::: firebuilding and string burn--- SPL

GAME::: oshkay---ASMs

SERVICE PATROL::: Firesticks



Jan 7-8-9 Scouters Winter Campout at Woodruff Scout Camp

or ? Which will it be?

WHAT IS THE PRE-OPENING ?

The pre-opening activities should be set up well in advance of the meeting time so that early arrivals will have some constructive, challenging and fun activities to do while the remainder of the Scouts arrive prior to the start of the meeting. These types of activities can be done no matter what time the Scouts arrive. The activities should cease as soon the meeting is ready to be started.

- AN EXAMPLE OF A PRE-OPENING:

- Fill a table with various merit badges and have the scouts try to guess their names. This could be done by obtaining a copy of the poster which has all the merit badges and by cutting out each one, leaving off the name, or covering up the names with masking tape, or using merit badges from our resource room . Have the Scouts number their page from 1 to 120 and see how many merit badges they can name. (Give a prize at the end of the meeting to the Scout who named the most merit badges)