



The TRAILBLAZER



BOY SCOUT TROOP 204

MAPLE AVENUE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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CALENDAR NOW

NEWSLETTER # 405

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2 Roundtable for all Scouters --- 1930-- in person at Covenant Presbyterian Church in NE Cobb or by zoom
(see Donna for the link)

7 Troop Meeting 1930-2100

PACK N LOAD →→→→→→



Pre Opening: survival knowledge spl

In the hole: ready for campout

Opening: Firesticks

Scoutcraft: How to build a shelter—wilderness survival style—DJ and JASM

Game: Chess >>ASM's

Service Patrol: Firesticks

10-11-12

Winfield Scott



LET'S GO CAMPING

FALL IN AT 1700 (Q/M OPENS AT 1630)

>>SURVIVAL KIT MUST BE ON YOUR PERSON >> CANTEEN IS A MUST---full please > > // class A uniforms //
TROOP T-SHIRT // HANDBOOKS are a MUST on all activities// Plan on staying Dry //cold weather gear

Home Sunday about 1400 ---parents be ready for tired Scouts

12 Daylight Savings Time---set your clocks forward 1 hour

14 Troop Meeting 1930-2100 **Order of the Arrow elections tonight -we need all scouts there**

Pre Opening: How to greet—how is your handshake--Spencer

Opening: Bears

In the hole: OA Elections then Summer Camp Merit Badges

Scoutcraft: Lashing and what to use it for--Vedaant

Game: 4 square tug of war → ASM's

Service Patrol: Bears

Going to see Leroy at the Okefenokee Swamp?

WE must have a BSA health form that has been completed within the past 12 months from the time we leave on April 1



17 St. Patrick's Day



Tips For Success

1. Sell your first camp card to your parent/guardian(s).
2. Have Parents SELL Camp Cards to their colleagues at work.
3. Call Grandma and Grandpa! They would love to support your sale.
4. Participate in a store-front sell (Waffle House, grocery store, gas stations, restaurants, etc.)
(BE Sure that you have permission from the owner or manager!!!)
5. Take cards to school and ask your teachers.
6. Ask Parents to post on social media a picture of you in uniform requesting friends to buy cards.
7. Visit the police station/fire department.
8. Ask Pack or Troop alumni for their support.
9. Ask those that you support to support you! (Girl Scouts, booster clubs, clubs).
10. Invest 1-hour visiting neighbors asking them to support your Scouting program.
11. Visit local businesses to sell in their offices ---be sure to ask first you are selling outside their location
hint---check with your local Waffle House

Sales Techniques for Scouts

Scouts, practice these simple steps:

Don't miss the opportunity to work on public speaking, sales and service.

Role play and practice . Wear your uniform

Smile and tell them who you are - first name only!

Tell them where you are from

(Troop 204, sponsored by MapleAvenue United Methodist Church).

Tell them what you are doing (earning money toward Scout Camp, campouts, Okefenokee, etc.)

Tell them what they can do to help (save money with the Camp Card).

Close the sale, and thank them.

How to Sell Camp Cards ++++++

DOOR TO DOOR: Take your SALES KIT and Cards for a trip around the neighborhood. Highlight the great coupons!

SHOW & SELL: Set up a sales booth and sell CAMP CARDS on the spot.

SELL AT WORK: A great way for Mom and Dad to help their Scout. Have Mom & Dad take the SALES KIT to work.

Safety and Courtesy

- Never enter anyone's home. • Never sell after dark, unless with an adult. • Don't carry large amounts of cash.
- Always walk on the sidewalk and driveway. • Be careful of dogs while selling. • Don't talk to strangers alone.
- Say thank you whether or not the prospect buys a Camp Card.

We're selling Scouting, not just Discount Cards, so look for opportunities to share scouting and invite someone to a troop meeting!

Remember that you are selling character, you are selling a better community, and you are selling the benefits of our program. Camp Cards can help you offset the price of Scouting.

Thank you for your support of Scouting!

COUNCIL TOPSELLERS EARN AMAZON GIFT CARD February 01 - April 01, 2023

20 Cards Camp Card Patch 50 Cards \$20 100 Cards \$50 200 Cards \$100 300 Cards \$150 500 Cards \$250 700 Cards \$350 1000 Cards \$500

21 Troop Meeting and Court of Honor ---- Medicals and \$\$\$ due for Okefenokee

Opening: SPL Invocation: Troop Chaplain's Aides Total Cost: 180.00

**In the hole: packing to see Leroy
Scoutcraft: Water Safety Spencer
Game: if time>>>>ASM's
Service Patrol: Everyone**

28 Troop Meeting 1930-2100

**Pre Opening: balance contest--Andrew
Opening: JASM's
In the hole: ur visit to Leroy's house --spl and friends
Scoutcraft: What to take to the swamp; JASM's
Game: Silent Samurai-- ASM's
Service Patrol: JASM's**



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17—Ted C



1-2-3-4-5

-Okefenokee --Leroy, Here we come !!!

Meet [redacted] with your sack lunch, survival kit, life jacket, sunscreen.

\$\$\$ FOR Breakfast



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**OKEFENOKEE SWAMP
OPERATION LEROY**



Fall in at 0700 All ready Q/M opens at 0645

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// class A uniforms // TROOP T-SHIRT // HANDBOOKS are a MUST on all activities//
Plan on staying Dry // rain gear // cold weather gear // survival kit// cup//knife, fork, spoon,
plate// Life Jacket // Bring all your usual camping gear // **REVIEW ALL HANDOUTS**

- >>FULL CLASS A (HAVE CLASS B)
- >>LIFE JACKET (WITH YOUR NAME ON IT)
- >>SUNSCREEN IS A GOOD IDEA
- >>\$\$\$FOR BREAKFAST ON THE ROAD SAT am

- >>SURVIVAL KIT MUST BE ON YOUR PERSON
- >>CANTEEN IS A MUST (FULL)
- >>LUNCH *saturday* WE'LL HAVE BUG JUICE)
- >>FISHING GEAR IS OPTIONAL (LICENSE IF NEED ONE)

T L C on campout

Home Wednesday night ---1800-1900 (or maybe earlier)--- be ready for tired scouts....

.....Parents, be sure that Donna has accurate phone numbers (cell, work, home).....
...so that you can be reached with any change of plans or pick up times...

Leroy,,,Here we come



we'll be there soon !!!