

HIGHROADS LEADERS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 5, 2006

Meeting called to order at 6:52PM.

Pledge & Promise

Getting to Know You Game

Introductions

Roll Call

Treasurer's Report: None

• MDE Report:

- Congratulations to Andrea Stahl on her recent marriage. Because she now has a new last name (Hartman), troop checking accounts need to have paperwork done for the bank to reflect this change.
- New Troop checking accounts can be established by contacting Andrea at the council. Some newer troops already have existing accounts set up.
- Placement letters for positions need to be signed and turned in.
- Troop Financial Reports NEED to be turned in that were due in June.
- Renewing CPR training can be done partly online. The skills are done afterward at council (by appointment).
- Trainings can be set up if your schedule conflicts with listed trainings; contact council.
- Service Team Rally is rescheduled for Sept. 19 from 6-9PM at United Methodist Church on Hohman in Hammond. RSVP by Friday the 15th.

• Membership- Kelli M

- Open Recruiting Sept. 9 from 10-1 at both Griffith Public Library and Redeemer Lutheran Church in Highland. 50 VIVA points for helping out! Posters needed for the event and older girls to dress in cookie costumes.
- On-Time Registration deadline is Sept. 22. Sign-up sheet passed around for registering troop with Kelli M. Need to turn in Health History for both girls and adults registering, Registration form, copy of troop roster (keep one for yourself) and a Dues Summary form (not for additions). Need 5 girls and 2 adults registering to form a troop. Recommended that parents register for driving. Additions can be registered at the end of cookie training on the 20th. Girls need to be registered by Sept. 27th in order to sell cookies!
- A troop meeting day/place sheet was passed around for leaders to fill out with their troop info.
- Website will be up and running at the end of the month with news for membership, newsletters, minutes, programs, permission slips, general info, photos and troop spotlights. Patti D. will collect troop news. Make sure if you're sending photos that all people within the photo have a signed photo release (on health form).

• Program Events- Kay W

- Roller-skating- Carol S. This is a recruiting event so encourage girls to bring friends. Girls can register to become a scout at the door. Friday, Sept. 15th 4:30-6:30PM. \$6 per skater (rental extra and bring \$ for concessions). Carol is asking that troop leaders pre-register and get your tickets before the event to make

easier entry into the rink. Call her to come to her house to get your tickets. 1 check per troop as payment, please!

- Halloween Dance- Jerilyn P and Kathy O.. Wednesday, Oct. 25th 6-8PM. See leader info sheet, please! We encourage pre-registrations and will be accepting them at the October leaders meeting.

- There are program events that NEED directors! Please contact Kay W. if you're interested. If we don't get directors, we cannot have these events for the girls.

- Consultants are available for each level. Call them for help. Don't be afraid to ask questions!
- Annual Meeting Oct. 19th at St. John Community Center hosted by Schererville Smores. An Association Chair is needed. This person makes sure that the allotted number of delegates is filled (age 14 and up for delegates). This person gets a packet to prepare service unit and delegates with info on the meeting.
- VIVA points- \$1 for 10 points credit at council office and shop. Don't forget to get your VIVA cards initialed and look in the program book for various points that can be earned.
- Trip Share time- some troop leaders gave info on trips they took over the summer.
- FREE things to do: Lowes, Krispy Kreme tours, Recycling Center does free badge work, Jiffy Lube helps with auto badge for Juniors and up, Alberts tour helps with Jeweler badge.
- COOKIES- Debbie F.- Lots of changes this year. Training Sept. 20 at the Service Center at 6:30PM. Cookie manager or leader needs to attend and if cannot, then call Debbie to set up a private appt. for training. Training is necessary in order to sell cookies.
- Elaine had free craft supplies made available to troops.
- Susan K. and Jane N. discussed religious awards. The July Connections had a 4 part patch girls and adults can earn. Gail G. is working with the American Legion to offer scholarships and encourages religious awards to meet the requirements.
- Buddy Walkers wanted age 13 and up to walk with special needs participant at the Down Syndrome Annual Buddy Walk Oct. 1st.

Meeting Adjourned 8:02PM.

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