



TROOP 4506 UPDATE



September 2005

Welcome Back Everyone!

Welcome back to school, soccer, dance classes and **Brownie Girl Scouts!** It's great to see all the girls (and leaders) back again! We are pleased to announce that Karen H has joined our troop as a leader. We are thrilled to have her with us and we can't wait to put her through all the training! Don't worry Karen, it's easy.

We would also like to welcome Jill M to our troop as a first time Brownie Girl Scout. That brings our total girls back up to fifteen!

We hope you are ready for another exciting and memorable Girl Scout year. We have some great activities and projects planned for the girls, including a bake sale for this year's second annual Ride For Rick, a hike through Orenaug Park and a field trip to Thomaston Opera House to see Pinocchio.

So, if you're ready, let's get started!

Forms, Forms and more Forms!

Parent/Guardian Permission

Please remember to complete and return the yellow Parent/Guardian Permission form by **October 7th**. Don't forget to complete the reverse side with your daughter's health history record. If these forms are not turned in we will not be allowed to let your daughter participate in the upcoming "Be A Reader" fundraiser.

Star Family Program

Once again, we are using the Star Family Program in our troop. The Star Family program was developed in response to leaders feeling a strong need for more family help in carrying out the Girl Scout program in troops. The attached brochure outlines at least twenty different "suggested" ways you can earn the Star Family patch for your daughters. Below is a list of some of the areas our troop needs help in.

1. Serve as our troop "Be A Reader" or "Cookie" Manager.
2. Complete the American Red Cross First Aid Training and serve as our Troop/Group First Aider. This person will need to be present for some (not all) of our field trips.
3. Provide transportation for Girl Scouts to meetings and on field trips (as needed).
5. Serve as a parent helper at Girl Scout events (as needed).
6. Share a particular skill, talent, hobby or "community service" job with our troop.
7. Coordinate a special presentation or guest speaker for the troop.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:



Claire and Emily

SPECIAL THANKS:



To all the Girl Scouts and their parents for baking so many delicious goodies for the St. Paul's bake sale at their annual fair last June.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

RIDE FOR RICK BAKE SALE

DATE: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1ST

PLACE: MITCHELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

TIME: 8:00 – 12:00PM

Please help us by baking an item for the bake sale table. We need homemade pies, breads, cakes, brownies, cookies (to name a few)! Bring your baked goods to the bake sale booth by 8:00 on the morning of the event or phone me for other arrangements. We also need Brownie Girl Scouts and parents to help run the booth. Sign up sheet is at the information table or please phone to sign up.

HIKING THE ORENAUG TRAILS

DATE: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7TH

TIME: 3:45 – 5:00PM

Weather permitting, we plan to hold our next meeting at Orenaug Park. Drop off will be at the entrance to the park in the upper level parking lot behind the library. We will start our meeting at this entrance, hike through the park and end at the opposite entrance off Park Road at the pond. Pick up will be on Park Road at 5:00pm. Sneakers or comfortable walking shoes will be required. Jackets may also be necessary. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

BE A READER FALL PRODUCT SALE

DATE: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8TH

“Ride the reading wave” and save your magazine subscription renewals for our “Be A Reader” fundraiser beginning on October 8th. This program offers troops the chance to earn funds for troop activities. Girls have the opportunity to earn awards for various levels of participation. The Fall Product Sale is for family and immediate friends. It is not a door-to-door community event. Family and friends have the opportunity to order or renew their favorite magazines. Also offered is a great selection of books, computer software and music as well as nuts and delicious chocolates!

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DATE: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16TH

Please check the Field Trip Permission form for details regarding this field trip.

Adopt A Road

Town Clean-up

THE 2005 FALL CLEAN-UP is scheduled for Saturday, October 1st at Hollow Park. Our troop will be volunteering at the Ride For Rick which takes place at the same time so we are unable to participate in the town clean-up this season.

For Girl Scouts who are eager to help out, sign up starts at 8 a.m. Gloves and bags will be provided. All volunteers are invited back to the Hollow Park pavilion starting at 10:30am for hot dogs and chili.

We hope to join up again with fellow volunteers for the spring clean-up scheduled for Saturday, April 1st, 2006.

Troop 4506 Service Project



Save Lids to Save Lives

Look for and save pink Yoplat lids during September and October. Our troop will be collecting these lids over the next few weeks. For every pink lid we mail in by December 31, 2005, Yoplat will make a 10-cent donation to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. We can all do something to help – one pink lid at a time.

Thank you for your support!

DON'T FORGET...

Our next troop meeting is October 7th at Orenaug Park (weather permitting).

Yellow Parent/Guardian Permission forms are due back by this time!

Check out our troop website at ...
<http://members.tripod.com/girlscouts4506-ivil>