

March 18, 2013

Dear Scouts and Parents:

This year Troop 22 will be attending summer camp at Camp Falling Rock in Newark, Ohio. We have never attended this camp. We are in the process of registering and finding a decent site. Originally the boy leaders wanted to go back to Camp Frontier, but unfortunately I did not get a reservation in before it was filled up.

Camp dates are June 23- June 29, 2013, Sunday to Saturday

FEES:

Camp costs \$225 this year; \$165 for camp and \$60 for food. The adult rate is still not set, but we ask for a donation of \$100.

Please talk to Ari or committee chair Neal Peachey if you need a scholarship. If there is a chance to have a spring fundraiser for the boys to earn money for camp please take advantage of it. Some Scouts may have funds available from the fall bulb sale in their name.

PHYSICAL EXAMS:

Medical forms are due by June 10. Please remember that each Scout must have a new physical exam every year. The medical history and insurance information must also be completed yearly. All medical documentation should be submitted to _____ by the due date. We use these forms throughout the year at weekend camps. We will not take any boy who does have the correct paperwork.

Any adult who is staying the week (for more than 2 nights) at camp will also need to have an annual medical exam. Both Scouts and Scouters use the same form.

If a Scout should suffer an injury or illness at camp, he will be taken to the camp Health Officer. If needed, we will take the Scout to a doctor or hospital. Parents will be notified as soon as possible of their son's condition. We will also have cell phones at camp that can reach local authorities and the local emergency medical unit.

MEDICATION:

On the permission form, please state clearly if your son has any medication that he takes. If so, give directions for their use. It is imperative that this information gets to Ari so that it can organized BEFORE we leave for camp. Please do not make work for us by not turning things in on time. Please do not withhold or delay giving information that would be useful for us to take to the best care of your son. All prescription medication will be stored and dispensed by the Camp's medical officer, unless we get approval to do it in our campsite.

DEPARTURE / ARRIVAL:

Meet at the church parking lot **Sunday**, **June 23 at 10:00 AM**, with bag lunch. Pick up at the church on **Saturday**, **June 29 at noon**

We will need drivers on both days. On the permission form please state which day you are going to drive. It is about 2.5 hours to camp. You will be called to confirm your driving.

EQUIPMENT:

A list is provided to help you pack.

MAIL:

Mail should be sent early in the week, almost as soon as your son leaves for camp. Mail should be addressed to:

Camp Falling Rock

Scout's Name Troop 22, (not sure of the campsite yet) C/O Camp Falling Rock 12637 Houdeshell Rd. NE Newark, OH 43055

TELEPHONE:

Scouts will not have access to a phone at camp. If an emergency arises where you NEED to talk to your son, call the camp and leave a message for Ari. I will call you back as soon as possible. The Camp Falling Rock phone number is (740) 745-5327 (Fax (740)745-5924). We will have cell phones at camp, but do not know how good the service is there. Ari's cell (216)904-2008. PLEASE KEEP SCOUT CELL PHONES AND OTHER ELECTRONICS AT HOME. THEY ARE NOT NEEDED AT CAMP.

MONEY:

There is a trading post and an opportunity for the boys to purchase souvenirs, occasional snacks and supplies at camp.

PROGRAM: Most Scouts will have an opportunity to take several merit badges throughout the week. First year boys will probably take one or two. Camp Falling Rock offers 55 merit badges. Scouts who prepare ahead of camp will be able to earn more badges as they have a schedule that is flexible in many areas – in other words, boys can visit the area and work on whatever part of a badge they need. We will learn about the many other program areas as we get closer to camp.

STAFF:

We are bringing a few adults to camp to help organize our patrol cooking and to help support the camp program. We need more adult help that is able to stay at least half the week. Please let me know.

Yours in Scouting,

Ari Klein