



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

TROOP 313

DES PERES, MISSOURI
Since 1944

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Dear Scouting Families,

Some of you have already visited Troop 313 and have seen first hand that we are a quality organization. I hope that those who have not yet experienced our troop in action can make time to visit one of the scheduled troop meetings in the next few weeks.

First, let me thank you for your interest in Troop 313 and for bringing your Webelos to a troop meeting or an outing. I trust he enjoyed his visit and will use this in part to meet his Arrow of Light requirements. Troop 313 provides a wide range of activities appealing to all ages of Boy Scouts, ages 11 through 17, emphasizing leadership and outdoor activities year-round. Many of our boys enjoy other extracurricular activities such as school band or sports and are still able to balance these with scouting.

As part of the transition process from Webelos to Boy Scouts, we would like to invite you to an orientation meeting for parents of boys interested in becoming Boy Scouts. We will discuss a variety of topics from uniforms and equipment, to the Troop calendar, campouts, and summer camp. We will also have stations manned by our scouts and parents where we will discuss scout advancement, Troop finances and dues, health/authorization forms and high adventure trips. This is a great time to ask questions and meet other potential new scout parents and Troop 313 leaders. If you want to get involved and be a part of your son's scouting experience, we can talk about that too!

The Parents ONLY Orientation Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 20, at 7:30 p.m. in the activity room in the basement of Des Peres City Hall (where regular Troop meetings are held). Whether your son has already decided to join Troop 313, or whether he is still considering alternatives, your attendance is encouraged, as there is a good deal of general information about Boy Scouts provided and forms to be filled out if you have decided to make Troop 313 your scouting preference.

We look forward to seeing you at the orientation meeting!

Yours in Scouting,

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