

Scouts and Scouting Families of T-154:

August 28, 2005

I hope you had a terrific summer and are looking forward to the start of school, fall sports, and, of course, Boy Scouts. We will have our first Troop meeting on **Wednesday, September 7**.

The patrol leaders' council did a great job of planning terrific year of scouting right down to the monthly themes, campouts, and courts of honor. We'll have a full year calendar distributed and posted on the web site shortly – in the meantime, here are some important dates to write on your calendars:

- September 7 – first troop meeting of the year: Election of Senior Patrol Leader to serve for the first half of the 2005-06 Scouting year
- September 13- Troop Committee meeting: All parents and adult scouters are welcome – more help is needed to make the T-154 scouting program the best it can be for each one of our scouts
- September 14- second troop meeting of the year: Organization of new patrols and election of patrol leaders for the first half of the 2005-06 Scouting year
- September 16—18 – Campout at **West Point Military Academy** – we have four slots left for any scout or parent who has not signed up and is interested in going.
- July 23-29, 2006 – Hidden Valley Summer Camp – it's never too early to get the Summer Camp dates on your calendar – stay tuned for the possibility of a second week of summer camp, possibly at Camp Bell – the Patrol Leaders' Council will discuss at their next meeting

A few more words about the **West Point** trip: If you're interested, please let Bob or John Gearheart know as soon as possible. The total cost is \$70, due in full at the first troop meeting on September 7. For those who already paid a deposit, the balance is due that night. The fee includes food, fuel cost reimbursement for the drivers, camping fees, and a ticket to the Army v. Baylor football game. We'll also have guided tours of the campus and the Academy's museum.

I hope you're excited about the beginning of a new year filled with scouting adventure, learning, spirit, and lots of fun. With your enthusiasm, help, and scouting spirit it is certain to be the best year yet!!

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Ron Rodgers
T-154 Scoutmaster