# TROOP #212 UPCOMING CLIMBING & RAPPELLING

TRIP November 17 – 19, 2017

## Dear Scouts & Scouters;

This has always been a fun and safe outing, so we expect it to be so again this year. We will meet at the Church parking lot on Friday, November 17th at 7:00 PM, and plan to depart at 7:30 PM SHARP for the Malibu Creek State Park Group Campsite, located:

## 1925 Las Virgenes Road, Calabasas, CA 91302

Even though the theme is Climbing and Rappelling, all other rank advancement opportunities will be encouraged. Scouts do not have to climb or rappel to attend this trip. We expect the daytime temps to be in the low 70’s, and the nights in the high 50’s. Please plan clothing needs accordingly.

**Full uniform will be worn during travel on Friday and Sunday.** Scouts, should have set up packing check lists for personal required items by theme and weather conditions. All Scouts should pack, as a MINIMUM:

* Extra socks & sturdy shoes • Personal eating utensils, bowl, and mug.
* Sun Block-out, • Scout Handbook , Water Bottle
* Warm Jacket for evenings • Personal Flashlight & First Aid Kit
* Rugged pants for daytime use • Compass, Poncho, Canteen, sunglasses
* Pens, Pencils, Notebook • Soap, Comb, Chapstick
* Wide Brim Hat, Work Gloves • Tooth brush & paste
* Sleeping bag & ground cloth • Pull-over hat
* Webbing, carabiner & gloves • Insulated pad or air mattress
  + **The price per person for this trip is $ 33 / $12.** The $12.00 will be used to create a fuel fund for drivers. Trip fees and permission slips will be collected during the Troop meeting on Monday November 13th.
  + **The major components of climbing gear are provided by the troop;** including rope, spare webbing, anchor systems, and safety helmets.
  + **Each Scout should purchase 15 to 19 feet of climbing grade one inch tubular webbing for use as a personal climbing harness and a locking carabiner…**as detailed during troop meetings with the Scouts. Alternatively, scouts are can also buy climbing harnesses they are a bit more expensive yet a bit more comfortable.

Food shopping will be on Thursday, Nov. 16th, 7 PM at Stator Bros at Spring and Palo Verde.

**We plan to depart from the campground on Sunday, at 12 PM and stop for lunch on the way home.** Please be sure your scout has money for lunch.

We plan to arrive at church around 2:00 PM. Return times are always influenced by things beyond our control, such as how efficient we are at packing up Sunday, traffic, and general weather conditions. Therefore, I encourage you to check **SPOT** at the troop website frequently for updates**.** As is the tradition of Troop 212, this will be a very safe outing, due in no small way to the adult leadership who will assist by attending this trip.

Yours in Scouting, John Douglas

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