



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®

DENVER AREA COUNCIL

April 18, 2019

Location:

156 S Poplar Street
Denver, CO 80230

Attendees:

| Name | Present |
|------------------------|---------|
| Ariella Wells (remote) | |
| Dave Reynolds | X |
| Greg Ostravich | X |
| Jenna Wilkin | X |
| Joe Black | |
| Mike Shapiro (remote) | X |

Pledge of Allegiance

Note: I've been using the Parshat for the following week; but I will continue to do this. We'll use the one for this Friday, which is the first night of Passover.

Summary:

This section is about the origin of the holiday's name. Passover. It refers to the 10th plague where the Angel of Death would "Passover" the Jews' homes because the door posts of their homes were marked with the blood of the Passover offering. It also describes the Exodus from Egypt after the Egyptians urged the Jews to leave. Because of their hasty retreat their bread was unleavened; thus, our celebration of this Exodus from slavery and into the Promised land with Matzah. Also discussed is that although no foreigner shall eat it; a slave who is circumcised will be offered it can become a citizen of the country.

Parsha by Yehuda Shurpin - Can We Sacrifice a Paschal Lamb Nowadays?

The author explains that sacrifices are not allowed since the Temple Mount no longer stands. However, while this is true or most sacrifices, when comes to sacrifices on a specific day, the halachah is that they may be brought even while in a state of impurity. It also refers to the "half-shekel and communal sacrifices but the Korban Pesach is not under these rules. During our exile this was not practical but with Israel retaking Jerusalem it became a hotly contested debate. The Rebbe Menachem M. Schneerson would leave Jerusalem during Pesach in the eight years following the 6 Day War so he wouldn't be violating an obligation to perform the sacrifice of the Paschal Lamb. Those instructions were in effect for 8 years following the war. In 1975 because of changed political and security situation building an altar on the mount was no longer a possibility.

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Review April meeting minutes.

Old Business - Meeting Minutes Approved

Unit Status –

Aish, HEA (Hebrew Educational Alliance) and Temple Sinai – James Miazza said the Rabbi at Sinai won't approve a unit and that a non-congregant can't convince him. TODO: Greg will reach out to see if they can plug in to Emmanuel (Rabbi Black) and if so we'll follow-up that way.

Rabbi Leban from "The Jewish Experience" – Dave Reynolds suggested putting together a tri-fold pamphlet for the Jewish Experience to promote scouting. Jenna will see if she can get their e-mail to include scouting. **Update: Dave wanted confirmation they'd be OK with it. Jenna says 1000% yes. He'll work with Jenna to design the tri-fold. Then Jenna will send out info on the next e-mail.**

1613 – Troop: Pinewood Derby status. **Update: Jenna reached out to Council and has a track and they're letting her hang on to a track she got from Council.** Half Day Scoutmaster Fundamental Training. Can we do one on Sunday or just do the on-line training? Who is the Frontier District Training Chair? Steve Powell? Jenna will reach out to Steve about training on a Sunday. – **Update: Shawn has not reached out yet but will.**

Programs

Kinnus: Lag B'omer – Hamilton Scout HQ in the Courtyard 5/19/2019 9-4

Starter list; let's add to it and discuss:

- **DoubleKnot for Registration – Shawn has this as a TODO item.**
- Demo of Setting up Tents – We need to practice before hand and reserve the tents. – Tents are reserved through the council.
- Knots – Basic Knots? Decorative? Let's do both.
 - Square Knot
 - Clove Hitch
 - Two Half-Hitch
 - Taut line
 - Timber Hitch
 - Lashings
 - Bowline
 - Sheep shank

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- Decorative: Butterfly Knot (Shawn is working on this)
- Decorative: Monkey Fist (Greg)
- Decorative: Turk's Head (Greg)
- Pioneering – Shawn will ask about rope and poles – Council says they're there; he will follow up to find it. – **Update: Shawn has the ropes and poles. Needs to get a rock from Tahosa for our weather rock.**
 - Tri-Pod for a Weather Rock (Shawn will bring a rock from Tahosa)
 - For rope lengths Mike suggested 25' of Green because there are 5 lengths of 5' and Green has 5 letters. Twenty feet of blue, 4 times 5. Red is 15, 3 x 5 and has 3 letters. Army Surplus store too. – Dave Reynolds will bring this rope and poles if we don't have them.
- Cooking Demonstration – using stove → 1613's stove
 - Eggs? Omelets? --> Boil in a bag and do pancakes on the griddle. → Still need to know what's in the trailer.
- Registration Costs: \$10 (Shawn will program it.)
- Cooking with Dutch Oven – Mike Shapiro; Shawn will bring them. (can use as frying pan); Shawn has a pareve one at home.
 - Cobbler – with charcoal on the Dutch Oven; Charcoal here at Scout HQ – Note: Shawn and Mike have a Kosher Dutch Oven they can bring.
- Patrol Box usage
 - 1613 Patrol Box which is Kosher.
 - Trailer will be at Council HQ. Jenna has the combination to the lock and the keys.
- What to Bring and not bring for a camping trip – Mike will take this on and has Greg's document for that.
- Bonfire – We have the gas pit we can use for that. Shawn followed-up and we can use it.
- Still need kids to design a patch. Jenna will reach out to the Pack. April 10th as the deadline. Shawn will get Jenna some example patches we've used previously. → Update: Jenna got a patch design from Chaim. Shawn is incorporating that into our patch with the border we've been using.
- Costs: Council will cover costs of facility; need to figure out costs for food. → As above we're using a \$10 registration fee per person.
- Parents and sibling are welcome.
- Shawn will work up some promotional stuff to get the word out. Also, we'll have a flyer for the Scout Show. April 27th.
- **TODO: We need to get announcements in the bins for May roundtable; also make announcements.**
- Jenna will ask Yitzhak Estreicher about helping with halachic authority for the Kinnus event. → **Update: He's deciding if he wants to get involved this year.**
- Trailer – Shawn will bring the trailer over to the Council Office house for inventory.

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Memorial Day Weekend – This is on hold. Our plate is full with Kinnus and the deal isn't closed with Western District (Western Colorado Council) so we'll shoot for this another time. Dave Reynolds mentioned Troop 120 does a Memorial Day weekend campout at Buckley so maybe Jenna's unit can come hang out with Troop 120. Maybe the 1613 affiliated unit could do a cooking demonstration for Troop 120. Kosher Cooking. May do some campfire stuff, some Tot'n Chip and F'reman Chit stuff. Memorial Day, Thanksgiving Weekend, and in August Troop 120 uses the Family Camp at Buckley. Also, sometimes March. **TODO: Jenna will check with 1613.**

Religious awards - Here is the list:

- Raphael Nathan Schwartz
- Nehorye Cohen
- Hilkiyahu Cohen
- Chaim Wilkin → Follow-up in May.
- Maybe Akiva and Ilan Rubin → Follow-up in May.

Shawn passed this on to Council.

National JCOS Program @ Philmont in Summer 2019 June 16th – June 22nd; Greg's trying to figure out his time off to see if this could work; not sure he has enough time off to do this. → Greg doesn't have enough time off; we'll shoot for next year.

Eagle Candidates – Mayer Reynolds & Sam Strear

- Sammy Strear – Sammy Strear reached out and they met with Greg Holt for his Eagle Project. He's on track and will help with the next meeting. Will help with a recruitment meeting. Sammy turns 18 in October and his project will be with George Washington High School. Has a few merit badges to finish as well? → Sammy needs outreach; Jenna will follow-up with Sammy's father; Mayer may reach out to Sammy. Dave will do that as well. David has index cards to show the process; breaks it out into easier smaller tasks. Jenna may mention that?
- Mayer Reynolds – as Mentioned he has Eagled; Court of Honor is scheduled for the 19th of May at The Jewish Experience.

Jenna will follow-up at DAT to see if we can find somebody to help with being an ecclesiastical authority, so we follow laws around Kashrut. Yitzhak Estreicher is a Rabbi; he might be a good choice. We could also follow-up with Rabbi Friedman. → Mentioned above; Jenna will do this for the April meeting.

Council Camporee for 2019 at PV; Set-up a Shomer Shabbos Experience. Shawn reserved Caribou campsites for that as well as the Dietler Commissary. September 20-22, 2019. Mike Shapiro has the

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Ark in his garage and will get that when he gets home around Pesach. Need to see if the Jewish Experience Torah fits in the ark. We'll set-up the Eruv. Shawn did that last time by stacking the Patrol Boxes two high to build a wall for the outside area. Also poles, tied with twine for the eruv.

Update: Are the 6' poles for this in the trailer. They have eyelets for this. Used that instead of a wire for the Commissary; wire eruv for the campsite areas. Patrol boxes are available. Jenna will see if we can get a Torah from The Jewish Experience as mentioned above. **Question: Do we want an Eruv between the commissary and the campsite?** Maybe not; just stage everything beforehand. Lunch was in the campsite but everything else was at the Commissary. Two separate Eruv's; don't carry between.

Pin for Camporee – 10 Commandments – Tablets as a pin? We'll see if Chaim wants to design or somebody for the Camporee. **TODO: Greg will e-mail Dave Short to find out the pin manufacturing turnaround time.**

Joe Black mentioned LDS faith invites scouting officials to their events. Let's see about invitations to our L'ag B'omer event. Shawn will reach out to John Cabeza, Jim Blair, Mark Zoller, Mike Rustemeyer mtrustemeyer@gmail.com and others or this. – Update on this? Greg mentioned it at the Relations Committee. We'll them e-mail them as well. We'll also invite them to Camporee.

Summer Camp – maybe see if we can do it for the kids crossing over into Boy Scouts. 2nd Week of June until the end of July. Sunday to Saturday.

Hyiam has had the kids show up on Sunday and leave Friday afternoon. PV is always accommodating, and they bring up Kosher food packages for the adults. Staff loves it. – Jenna hasn't broached; defer to next meeting.

Jeffrey Cohen is looking for Scouters to serve on an Orthodox Advisory committee with the National Jewish Committee on Scouting. Jenna was talking with them about that; mentioned Yitzhak. Don't know what happened after that. Update? Jeffery reached out to Yitzhak directly; I'll remove this from the minutes in May.

Scout Show – On Sabbath but Greg will be there for Jambo. Are there any requests for our booth? Ideas? Flyers for Kinnus. Scout Sabbath promotion if we have a date nailed down. Also, let's have pictures from various Kinnusim in the booth and do an e-mail list so we can track people interested in attending our Program events. Shawn – do you have a computer we can use (either online or not) for the sign-up list? How will we do the e-mail list? Mail Chimp? Greg needs to get a blue tablecloth and a white tablecloth for the booth. How many chairs have been reserved? Do we need to bring those too? **TODO: Shawn will get a computer for the e-mail list in the booth. Shawn will bring the banner and flag. Dave Reynolds will bring us some pictures too. Jenna will bring pictures too. TODO: Greg will get white and blue tablecloths for the booth.**

New Business –

- Relations Committee – 4/15/2019

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- E-mail list to notify everyone of programming and our monthly meeting. See if we can sign people up at the Scout Show for the e-mail list.
- Putting brochures or flyers out at all the shuls for both Program stuff and for scouting. Promote 1613 for people interested in joining scouting. This is something Dave Reynolds approached The Jewish Experience with, but this needs to be at all congregations.
- Mentioned the pin we're doing for Council Camporee to see if other Committees (e.g. Catholic Committee on Scouting, LDS Committee, et. al.) would be interested as well.
- Connect Temple Sinai interested members with Temple Emanuel for a Scout Unit. They're both reform so it's a perfect fit and if the Rabbi is reluctant this might be a good fix. Greg will reach out to James Miazza and the clergy at Temple Emanuel.
- Start reaching out to the District Commissioners (or through the Council Commissioner?) to have them push down information (flyers?) to units through Unit Commissioners. → **Update: Greg will follow up with Mark Zoller/his replacement for the Council Commissioner.**
- Scout Shabbat at the Jewish Experience and 1613. Troop 120 may join in. June, maybe August. Rosh Hashanah isn't until early October (September 29th – October 1st) -- Note: Troop 120 is gone in June (last week – 21st through the 30th) so try not to schedule then.

We'll try and do a shooting event over late May, early June with Sam Ostravich, Mayer Reynolds, Greg Ostravich, Shawn Connelly as a Eagle recognition event.

TODO:

- Jenna will follow-up with DAT to see if our Dutch Ovens will meet halachic requirements and what we need to do so we're following their Kosher requirements. The ones in the trailer are OK; but we need to make sure what Shawn and Mike did are OK.
- Greg will reach out to James Miazza and the clergy at Temple Emanuel regarding Sinai interested scouts going to Emmanuel instead.
- Greg will follow-up with Mark Zoller about Unit Commissioner Corps sharing info about JCOS.
- Greg Scout Show booth supplies – table cloth
- Shawn – Scout Show booth supplies – computers and pictures. Also the banner and flag.
- Greg will e-mail Dave Short about Pin design.
- Shawn will meet Jenna at DAT to get the trailer to Council HQ (9 AM Monday)
- Dave Reynolds and Jenna will work on the tri-fold for the Jewish Experience
- Jenna will check with 1613 about joining Troop 120 Memorial Day weekend at Buckley.
- Dave will bring pictures and so will Jenna.

Next Meeting?

May 30th 6 PM at Jenna's house again.

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Closing (Scoutmasters Minute) – Greg

4/11/2016 - Scout Handshake Origin Minute

Our Scout salute and handshake are ancient signs of bravery and respect. The normal right-hand handshake comes from the times when men carried weapons such as swords or guns for their own protection. When they met one another, there was an uneasy moment as each watched the other's right hand. If it went to his sword or gun, there was a battle, but if it went to his hat it was a salute of friendship or respect.

The handshake is similar - outstretching your right hand shows it is empty and you are friendly.

The left-hand shake comes to us from the Ashanti warriors whom Baden-Powell met long ago in Africa. He saluted them with his right hand, but the Ashanti chieftain offered his left hand and said: 'In our land only the bravest of the brave shake hands with the left hand, because to do so we must drop our shields and our protection.'

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