

Cottonwood: October 6-8

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Did you know?

That most of Troop 1001's operating budget comes from our twice-a-year service at the Cottonwood Art Festival?
That the troop has a contract with the City of Richardson to provide that service?
That if we do the job poorly, we'll lose the contract to one of the many other organizations that want it?
That without Cottonwood, we'd have to sell thousands and thousands of candy bars at work to make up for the lost income?

Don't let your troop down! When a leader calls you this week, please sign up, both scouts and parents, for several time slots over the course of the weekend. We especially need all the hands we can muster for the load-in on Friday and the load-out on Sunday.

Here are the details:

What: Cottonwood Art Festival

Where: Richardson's Cottonwood Park on Belt Line just east of Coit. The Troop 1001 tent is at the south end of the park.

Wear: Class A uniform, if you have one; a Troop 1001 Class B tee shirt is a good second choice if you don't; otherwise, wear comfortable work clothes.

Friday, Oct 6, 10:00 am - 9:00 pm: Load-In. Assist the artists in moving their art and equipment and help them set up their tents. Adults only during school hours. Adults and scouts after school. Adults collect tips from the artists.

Saturday, Oct 7, 9:00 am - 6:00 pm: Scouts: sell bottled water from the scout tent, run errands for the artists. Adults: act as gatekeepers at the beer garden (starting at 11:00 am) to keep the drinks inside the garden. This is a key service the city expects of us. Booth sit for artists' breaks.

Sunday, Oct 8, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm: Same as Saturday. Scouts run errands and sell water, adults booth sit and watch the gates at the beer garden.

Sunday, Oct 8, 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm: Load-out. Adults and scouts help the artists tear down, pack up and load up. The troop helps the city manage traffic by issuing gate passes to the artists when their stuff is packed and waiting at the curb. Adults collect tips from the artists. This is an action-packed evening and having all hands present helps move the artists quickly.

So expect a call this week and be prepared to put in lots of hours this weekend. It's a great community service, the festival is fun, and...

it beats selling candy bars at work.