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Dear Parents,

Two years ago we began making changes within our group by using materials that were not from "Brigade" (the national organization) but from a similar organization called the Cadets (The Calvinist Cadets). The changes were eased in and did not affect the structure or quality of the group.

Both Tuesday and Wednesday Stockade participate in the same weekly meetings, the same activities, have many of the same leaders but have always had two separate personalities. Below is some information on the upcoming year.

Tuesday Stockade

Tuesday Stockade is aging out 9 out of the 12 boys to Battalion (Monday nights). Since we will be rebuilding this group from the ground up we would like to introduce more structure via an achievement program. This is no different in many ways to the last 2 years of Stockade. Last year, we actually operated around an achievement program with the boys earning 5 different "patches", they just didn't realize it. If the boys are interested we will introduce a uniform shirt which they will receive as well as the usual T-Shirt. The purpose of this is to exhibit the patches

they earn and bring a sense of structure to go along with the achievements. There will be no extra costs involved for the uniform shirts.

Answers to some questions are below

How will this change the weekly meeting for the boys? *It won't.*

Will there be "homework" like some boy scout troops require? *No.*

Will this introduce "scout-like" fundraising requirements? *No.*

Will achievement work be mandatory outside of Stockade? *No.*

Will Tuesday Stockade still use t-shirts as well? *Yes.*

Will the cost of Stockade increase because of the uniforms? *No.*

What about the Pinewood Derby, Stockarama Camping weekend and other regional Stockade activities? *Our group is still registered with Brigade (CSB #2047) and will continue to take part in all the same activities as in the past. We are also registered with Cadets (Cadre #2047) to take advantage of what they offer. Activity wise, nothing changes.*



Wednesday Stockade

Wednesday Stockade, though larger than Tuesday Stockade, will be starting out small again this year. It is an optimal time to introduce more structure in order to assist the leaders in the planning and execution of our weekly meetings.

The Cadet achievement materials will be made available to all the leaders to use during the weekly meeting. The goal of this is to bring more structure to Stockade and raise the quality of the weekly meetings.

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Will there be "homework" like some boy scout troops require? *No.*

Will this introduce "scout-like" fundraising requirements? *No.*

Will achievement work be mandatory outside of Stockade? *No.*

Will Wednesday Stockade use uniform shirts and t-shirts like Tuesday Stockade? *No.*
Wednesday will be using t-shirts only unless there is an interest from the boys for uniform shirts. Wednesday guys are welcome to switch to Tuesday if they want a more structured Stockade.

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This letter is simply meant to formalize the changes we have been introducing within Stockade for the last couple of years. If you have any questions, concerns or comments please drop me an email or give me a call. You can reach me at 662-0335 or jim@2047.org.