

# The Adventurer

Troop 157 Newsletter

February 26, 2015

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**Thanks to all who worked and served at The 2015 Lion's Club Pancake Festival!!! Troop 157 did an outstanding job.**

**Turn in your un-sold Pancake Festival Tickets and or Money at Monday Meeting!!!!**

**Due to weather and related safety issues, this weekend's campout has been canceled. Sorry.**

## **Let's Begin Filming our Troop Tube Videos**

*This Monday, be prepared to begin the filming process. Come dressed in full uniform and show us your best.* "Troop Tube" has begun! Prepare the scripts and actions for your Troop Tube Videos on Scout Skills. Here is who is doing what: Jelly Bellies-Compass, Fighting Percussion-Knots, Wombats-Knife & Ax, Bloody Wolves-First Aid, Roadrunners-Tents, Venture-Lashings and CPR. Bring

you Scout Handbook and be Be Prepared to put together a great video. We want all patrol members to have "face time" in the video. Plan and script out your video step by step. Pay attention to details. Think about camera angles, props, materials, vocals. Put your best effort into the project. We will show the videos at the Spring COH where they will be judged by all in attendance. Patrol Advisors are needed to help the patrols. Help will be need in editing the videos as well. Use the EDGE Method!!!

**ATTENTION.** Troop 157 is in need of an adult who will take over the duties of Troop Webmaster. Contact Mr. Payne if interested. Thanks.

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Eagle Scout Resources**

[http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-927\\_fillable.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-927_fillable.pdf)

[http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-728\\_WB\\_fillable.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-728_WB_fillable.pdf)

**For our OA members, the OA Spring Fellowship is February 27-28 weekend.**

**Merit Badge College is March 7, 2015**

**Our Annual Spring Break Trip is March 14-18, 2015.**

We are planning a great trip to the coast and an **overnight adventure on the Lexington aircraft carrier.** We will depart on Saturday, March 14, eat lunch at the Lowake Steak House and then travel to Mr. Liner's Ranch where we will camp out. Sunday morning we will travel to Goose Island State Park, have lunch and set up camp. That afternoon, we will travel and tour both the Goliad State Park and the La Bahia Mission. We will overnight at Goose. Monday, we will break camp and travel to Corpus Christi. We will tour the Texas State Aquarium before going on board the Lexington. Lunch will be on your own on the Lexington. There will be a full day and evening of activities onboard the Lexington. Tuesday morning we will depart the Lady Lex and travel to San Antonio. We will eat lunch and then spend the afternoon touring the San Antonio Zoo. We will stay the night again at Mr. Liner's. Wednesday morning we will break camp and return to Lubbock. The cost of the trip is \$225 per person. This covers everything except spending money for snacks, souvenirs and lunch on the Lexington.

It is a special event to get to spend the night on the aircraft carrier. This is a great trip and you are encouraged to find the time to go. Sign-up on Monday at meeting. Feel free to contact Mr. Payne with any questions.

**Outdoor Leaders Training is scheduled for April 10-12, 2015.** This is for our

Scouters and is designed to train up our adults to teach and lead our scouts.

We will conduct **Order of Arrow elections on April 20, 2015.** Scouts need to be First Class and have 15 nights of camping (only 5 can be from Summer Camp) to be included on the ballot.

**The Council Camporee will be April 24-26, 2015.** We discussed participating in the competition.

Save the date for **April 26.** We help out with the **Autism Walk** and this could be the afternoon of the event.

We might not meet on April 27 as this is a LISD snow day make-up / holiday day.

**Our Spring Court of Honor is scheduled for May 4.**

We will begin our Summer Camp registration in May. We will fill out the **"Blue Sheets" on May 11.** Scouters will meet with the Scouts and help them sign-up for Summer Camp and review their class selections. **We need ALL our adults to go to Summer Camp!!!**

We are planning to conduct the **Summer Camp Physical exams night on May 18, 2015.** This date will be confirmed. **OA Ordeal Weekend is May 29, 30, June 1, 2015.**

**The National Youth Leadership Training event is in June** and will be held at our own Camp Post. We will want our Scouts and Adults to attend this great event.

**We Wear Full Uniforms to Scout Meetings!**

## ***Look Classy, Be Classy.***

### **Advancement Update**

Scouts and Scouters, here is the information on how you can check a Scouts advancement records. Go to the Troop web site ([www.troop157.com](http://www.troop157.com)) and locate the link in the top left section of the home page or you can go to: <http://www.troopmasterweb.com/troop157>.

You will need a User ID and a Password to get into the system. The User ID is the scout's last name first initial (Joe Smith would be SmithJ). The Password will be the scout's six digit birthday (01/01/2000 would be 010100). Once you are in the system you will be able to change the password. This tool will let you pull up the most up to date scout records. All scouts should be responsible for keeping track of their own rank advancement progress and parents should encourage them to check

**Scouters.** The troop needs your help. **BSA National is requiring us to have Weather Training.** Log into your My Scouting account and take the Severe Weather Training online video class. It does not take long and is really easy. It is like the Youth Protection Online Class. After you complete the Severe Weather Class, Print off two copies of the certificate showing that you completed the course. We will hold one certificate at the troop level and provide the council office with the other. We cannot get our tour permits without having our Scouters Weather Trained. Thank you for your understanding.

## **Pearls of Wisdom**

**“There is no teaching to compare with example.”**

*Baden-Powell*

## **Helpful Links**

Here are some helpful links from the Troop 157 homepage.

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***Your Troop needs your commitment and full participation if we want to maintain the level of activities we have become accustomed to. Come and be a part of your son's lives and make a difference in the lives of these boys.***

## **Dates to Remember**

**February 27-28, 2015.** OA Spring Fellowship at Post

**March 2, 2015, 8:00-9:30pm Regular Scout Meeting. Oakwood UMC Gym.** Refreshments: Morgan / Pyle

**March 7, 2015.** Merit Badge College.

**March 9, 2015, 8:00-9:30pm Regular Scout Meeting. Oakwood UMC Gym.** Refreshments: Benton / Ragain

**March 14-18, 2015. Spring Break Trip.**

**March 16, 2015, No Scouts. Spring Break.**

**March 23, 2015, 8:00-9:30pm Regular Scout Meeting. Oakwood UMC Gym.** Refreshments: Maples / Zamora

**March 30, 2015, 8:00-9:30pm Regular Scout Meeting. Oakwood UMC Gym.** Refreshments: Blann / Blann

**April 6, 2015, 8:00-9:30pm Regular Scout Meeting. Oakwood UMC Gym.** Refreshments: Cribbs / Meeks

**April 10-12, 2015.** Outdoor Leaders Training.

**April 13, 2015, 8:00-9:30pm Regular Scout Meeting. Oakwood UMC Gym.** Refreshments: Shipton / Walter

**April 18, 2015.** OA Conclave

**April 20, 2015, 8:00-9:30pm Regular Scout Meeting. Oakwood UMC Gym.** Refreshments: Campbell / Trook

**April 24-26, 2015.** Council Camporee Campout.

**April 26, 2015.** Autism Walk. Service Project

**April 27, 2015.** No Scouts ????

**May 4, 2015.** Spring Court of Honor. Oakwood UMC Sanctuary.

**May 11, 2015, 8:00-9:30pm Regular Scout Meeting. Oakwood UMC Gym.** Begin Summer Camp Sign-ups and fill out Merit Badge choice sheets. Refreshments:

**April 28, 2015, 6:00-7:30pm Summer Camp Physicals offered by the troop.** Details to follow.

**May 25, 2015.** Memorial Day. No Scouts.

**June 7-10, 2015** National Youth Leader Training @ Camp Post.

**July 9, 2015, 6:00pm** Load out party @ the Troop Warehouse 47<sup>th</sup> & MLK.

**July 11, 2015 6:57am** Early group leaves for Camp

**July 12-18, 2015, 6:57am** The troop leaves for **Summer Camp** in cool, comfortable Ardmore, OK.

**July 18, 2015 Return to LBB. Meet at troop warehouse to unload.** We will call when we are an hour out of Lubbock. Approx. 5:30pm

# SAVE THE DATE!!!

## JULY 12-18, 2015

### TROOP 157 SUMMER CAMP

LAKE MURRAY STATE PARK  
ARDMORE, OKLAHOMA

Please mark this date on your calendar and make plans now to attend the best Summer Camp in these here parts!!! We want ALL our Scouts to attend and we need all our Scouters to come and help teach classes. Make your plans around Summer Camp and enjoy a week with us and your son/sons in "cool comfortable Ardmore, Oklahoma."

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*Building Future Leaders Today!  
Be the Best You Can Be!*

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