

The Adventurer

Troop 157 Newsletter

March 5, 2015

www.troop157.com

Continue Filming our Troop Tube Videos on Monday

This Monday, be prepared to film your videos. 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 your 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 needed 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.

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. **We may need another driver or two to go with us. Currently we have 31 people going on the trip and 33 seatbelts available!!!!** Check with Mr. Chapman on Monday.

Eagle Scout Resources
http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-927_fillable.pdf

http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-728_WB_fillable.pdf

Upcoming Events

Merit Badge College is March 7, 2015. Contact the Scout Office if you are interested in attending.

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.

Summer Camp preparations have begun. Adults, your commitment to attend Summer Camp is needed. Contact Mr. Phy on Monday and let him know you plan on helping with Summer Camp. We will prepare our course offerings from the adults who sign-up to go and teach classes. **We can only offer classes we have instructors for.** 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) 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

“We do not want to make Scout training too soft.”

Baden-Powell

Helpful Links

Here are some helpful links from the Troop 157 homepage.

Menu

[Skip to content](#)

- [Home](#)
- [Welcome Visitors!](#)
- [PARENT FAQ'S](#)
 - [ADVANCEMENT](#)
 - [COSTS/EXPENSES/EQUIPMENT/ETC.](#)
 - [ORDER OF THE ARROW \(OA\)](#)
 - [PARENTS & PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES](#)
 - [SUMMER CAMP](#)
 - [WEEKLY MEETINGS](#)

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

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

hour out of Lubbock. Approx. 5:30pm

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 47th & 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

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."

www.troop157.com

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

Brad Payne, Scoutmaster
Brad.payne@sbcglobal.net

806.789.9155