

The Adventurer

Troop 157 Newsletter

March 11, 2015

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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 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. Parents will be called when we are approximately one hour outside of Lubbock. Pick your Scout up at the troop warehouse at 47th and MLK. You will

need between \$30-\$50 for snacks, souvenirs and lunch on the Lexington.

Here is the itinerary and suggested packing list. Be prepared for warm and sunny and/or wet and cold weather!?!?!?!?

Troop 157 Spring Break Trip 2015 Itinerary

Saturday March 14, 2015 (Pi Day)
7:30am Depart From Oakwood UMC.
11:30am Lunch at Lowake Steak House
burgers, fries, onion rings (included)
3:00pm Arrive @Liners Ranch- set up
camp, explore, have fun. Supper=
lasagna

Sunday March 15, 2015
8:00am Depart Ranch
12:00pm Arrive @ Goose Island State
Park Lunch= sandwiches
1:00pm Set up tents
2:00pm Depart for Goliad State Park
3:00pm Arrive @ Goliad - tour park
4:00pm La Bahia Mission - tour
5:00pm Depart for Goose Island
6:00pm Arrive @ Goose Supper = Beef
& Chicken Fajitas

Monday March 16, 2015
8:30am Depart for Corpus Christi
10:00am Tour Texas State Aquarium
11:30am Arrive at Lexington for check-in

12:00pm Check-in on the Lex. Lunch on your own on the ship. All Day on board the Lady Lex.

Tuesday March 17, 2015

9:00am Depart Lady Lex & Travel to San Antonio

11:30am Arrive @ San Antonio Zoo

12:00pm Lunch @ Zoo - Sandwiches in parking lot

5:00pm Depart Zoo for Liners

6:00pm Arrive @ Liners supper = Chicken Lips

Wednesday March 18, 2015

9:00am Depart Liners for Lubbock

12:00pm Lunch @ Coopers BBQ in Junction (included)

4:00pm Arrive back in Lubbock

EQUIPMENT LIST

- Duffle Bag
- Sleeping bag
- pillow
- Ground pad
- Tarp or ground cloth 6X7 ft.
- Rain gear or poncho
- Toiletries / hair brush / comb / personal items
- Toothbrush / toothpaste
- Soap / shampoo
- Sunscreen / lip balm
- Wash cloth / bath towel
- Shower shoes
- Drink bottle / nalgene
- Scout Book
- Full Scout Uniform to wear on the Lex for flag ceremonies
- Class B Troop t-shirt (wear on Monday at Aquarium @ Lex)
- Change of clothes for 5 days
- Shirts

- Pants
- Shorts
- Socks / undies
- Jacket / coat
- Hat or cap
- Shoes (closed toed shoes for the Lexington)
- Camera
- Flashlight and or headlamp with extra batteries
- Spending money for snacks, souvenirs, meals on the return trip home Estimates \$30 - \$50
- Medicines / medical conditions – (Medicines must be turned into the Scoutmaster)
- Small bag or back pack for your clothes & stuff for the Lexington
- Scout Spirit

Continue Filming our Troop Tube Videos on Monday

“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!!!

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

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.

April 18, 2015. Let's participate with the "KIDFISH PROGRAM". This is a family and city wide event. Scouts and Scouters will be in full uniform. Scouts and family will get to fish and have fun. The event will be at Maxey Park and fishing begins at 7:00am. This will be a fun event for our troop and family members to participate in.

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

“The Good Turn will educate the boy out of the groove of selfishness.”

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

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 18, 2015. 7:00am-12:30pm. KidFish at Maxey
Park. Fun Fishing for the entire troop and family!

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
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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