

The Adventurer

Troop 157 Newsletter

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Court of Honor

Our Spring Court of Honor is scheduled for this Monday, May 4 at 7:30pm at Oakwood UMC Sanctuary. Scouts will be recognized for their recent achievements. We will watch the Troop Tube Videos as well as share with you information about Summer Camp. **Please note the 7:30pm start time.** We have moved up the time from regular Scout meeting time. Parents, please attend the Court of Honor and experience the exciting events going on in your troop.

The Scouts Individual History reports will be available for you to take home to review and use to help make your Summer Camp Class selections. We want to fill out our Summer Camp Applications and Merit Badge Choice Sheets on Monday, May 11, 2015.

Troop Tube Videos.

We will show the videos at the Spring COH where they will be judged by all in attendance. Mr. Voland has agreed to compile the Troop Tube videos for us. **Please email to him your Troop Tube Video so he can**

edit and compile it with the other patrol videos.

Mr. Voland's email address is: scott@thevolandgroup.com.

Summer Camp preparations have begun. Adults, your commitment to attend Summer Camp is needed. **You should have received an email from the troop containing an attachment in which you can download an Adult Summer Camp Application in PDF form where you can type in your data and then print it off and bring it to Scout Meeting.** 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**. Dr. Suzy Liner has graciously agreed to let us use her clinic, The Allergy & Asthma Clinic of West Texas located at 3502-22nd, for the physicals. We will begin at 6:00pm and go until 7:30pm. Physicals will be performed by the physicians who are members of our troop. The BSA Physical Form must be used. We will share a link to the BSA Physical form. Please fill out the form and print it off and bring it with you along with a copy of your medical insurance card. The cost of the physical is \$5.00 per person. Everyone, Scout and Scouter that is a member of our troop will need to have a physical. Physicals are required on an annual basis.

OA Ordeal Weekend is June 5-7, 2015 at Camp Post. Brothers, make plans now to attend the fun and fellowship. Those who serve are worthy to be in the Brotherhood!!!!

The National Youth Leadership Training

June 14-20, 2015 and will be held at our own Camp Post. NYLT is an exciting, action packed program designed to provide Scouts with leadership skills and experience they can use in the troops and other situations demanding leadership of self and others. The NYLT course centers around the concepts of what a leader must be, what he must know, and what he must do. These skills come alive during the week as the scout goes on a quest for the meaning of leadership. Refer to this link for more information and the application:

<http://nylt.kintera.org/>. We will want our Scouts and Adults to attend this great event.

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

Eagle Scout Resources

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

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

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.

**We Wear Full Uniforms to Scout Meetings!
Look Classy, Be Classy.**

Pearls of Wisdom

“The boy is not governed by *don't*, but is led by *do*.”
Baden-Powell

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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

May 4, 2015 7:30pm. 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:

May 18, 2015, 6:00-7:30pm Summer Camp Physicals offered by the troop. The Allergy & Asthma Clinic of West Texas located at 3502-22nd.

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 or 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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