

# The Adventurer

Troop 157 Newsletter

July 23, 2014

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## **SAVE THE DATE!!!**

**JULY 12-18, 2015**

**TROOP 157 SUMMER CAMP**

LAKE MURRAY STATE PARK  
ARDMORE, OKLAHOMA

**Summer Camp was a GREAT Success. Thanks again to everyone who helped make this such a wonderful event. We had 60 Scouts in camp and 35 Scouters teaching classes. As we know, it takes 35-40 Scouters to make it happen. Fewer than that will really stretch us!**

A couple of loose housekeeping chores, 1) Matt Ragain would like to get his drum sticks and drum brushes back. Someone may have accidentally picked them up and taken them back to Lubbock. PLEASE let Mr. Payne know so we can return the two pair of sticks. 2) Mr. Payne would like to get the USB cord back to his "hotspot device".

Thank you.

Mr. Payne needs to meet with the Summer Camp Staff Adults to have our "Thorns & Roses" meeting to de-brief Summer Camp. We need to know what went well, what needs some work and what needs to be re-done. You are also welcome to email your remarks to Mr. Payne. We are all busy but this is really important as we begin planning for next year's Summer Camp. Let Mr. Payne know what would be a good meeting time in August. The Troop also needs to meet for our adult planning meeting for the Fall semester. This is where we get together with all our various calendars and pick the weekends for our outdoor events. This needs to be done in August as well. We might possibly do Thorns & Roses and Planning at the same meeting so we don't have to schedule two meetings. Let Mr. Payne know what your preference is. It appears that

the weekends of September 6 or September 20 are going to be our best campout weekends in September. We need to think of where we want to go and what we want to do.

**Check out the Cinematography class video at:**

**<http://www.facebook.com/l/FAQFVSWao/youtu.be/TVGULJc0t8U>**

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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."

**Congratulations** to our newly selected OA candidates: Carter Baie, James Bentley, Josh Blann, Brock Mullins, Alex New and Ben Wanjura and to Scouters: Jen Hancock, Royce Mullins and Terry Sparks.

**Fall Ordeal Weekend is August 8-10, 2014.** If you are already an Ordeal member, then make plans to complete your Brotherhood conversion. The Ordeal weekend will offer a unique

opportunity for you to reflect on your personal commitment to the principles and purposes of the Order of the Arrow. The weekend is undertaken by every new candidate and is a meaningful and inspiring experience that will not soon be forgotten.

You must complete an Ordeal weekend to become a member in our Order.

The first opportunity to complete the ordeal will be at the Fall Ordeal weekend at Camp Post, **August 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> 2014** or Spring Ordeal **June 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> 2014**

Cost of your ordeal is \$45.00 which includes the Ordeal weekend, food and materials, also covers for your brotherhood conversion in ten months and yearly dues.

**Arriving for your Ordeal:** All candidates must arrive in full Scout uniform and must be at Camp Post no later than 8:00 pm Friday. Check-in will start around 6:00 pm. Dinner will not be served Friday night - Eat before you arrive in camp.

**What to bring:** In a backpack, a full Nalgene bottle, WATER, WATER, WATER, work clothes, work gloves, pocket knife, rain gear, sleeping bag, ground cloth, tent (for Saturday night), shower kit swimming trunks, towel, and weather appropriate clothing.

**What not to bring:** Do not bring - any form of food or candy, sheath knife or any electronic items.

**Medical information:** It is very important that you have with you, any medication you need on a regular basis. You do not need a medical form for an ordeal weekend, but you need to have emergency contact information available. If you have any special needs please be

sure to inform the scout office when you register.

Please feel free to contact:

[Danny.Gomez@southplainscouncil.org](mailto:Danny.Gomez@southplainscouncil.org) or by phone at (806) 773-0294 if you have any questions concerning the Order of the Arrow.

**Registration:** Please go to <http://nakona.kitera.org/fallordeal> to sign up for your Ordeal weekend, or you can also go by the Scout Shop to register at:

#30 Briercroft Office Park  
Lubbock TX 79412  
806-747-2631

**Cost:** (includes lodge flap, OA Sash, Handbook, meals and dues)  
\$45.00 Ordeal Candidates  
\$15.00 Brotherhood Candidates  
\$25.00 Members in attendance

**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.

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#### Pearls of Wisdom

**“A week of camp life is worth six months of Theoretical teaching in the meeting room.”**

*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.*

begin planning for the fall semester  
in August and will start back in  
September. Look to your newsletter  
for dates and times.

## Dates to Remember

**August 8-10, 2014** Order of the Arrow Fall Ordeal weekend at Camp Post.

**August 23, 2014** Lions Club TV Auction

**August 25, 2014** First Day of LISD Classes. NO SCOUTS.

**September 1, 2014** Labor Day. NO SCOUTS.

**September 8, 2014** scout meeting

**September 15, 2014** scout meeting

**September 18 - 20, 2014** Caprock Classic Shootout and Benefit Dinner. Shooting Clays Event at Camp Post.

**September 22, 2014** scout meeting

**September 29, 2014** scout meeting

**November 3, 2014 6:00pm.** Eagle Court of Honor and Awards Banquet. Civic Center Ballroom

**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

**Scouts will not meet after we get back from Summer Camp. We will not meet in July or August. We will**

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