

The Adventurer

Troop 157 Newsletter

May 15, 2015

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TROOP 157 SUMMER CAMP

LAKE MURRAY STATE PARK
ARDMORE, OKLAHOMA

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. The cost of Camp is \$235.00 per person. There is a payment button on the Troop web page or payments can be made at meetings. Contact Mr. Payne if financial hardships exist which would prevent your Scout or Scouter from being with us. Make your plans around Summer Camp and enjoy a week with us and your son/sons in "cool comfortable Ardmore, Oklahoma."

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.** The link to the BSA Physical form is

http://www.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_ABC.pdf.

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.

We will have stations set up for: Summer Camp Class Selections (the Blue Sheet), Jr. Staff Applications, Adult Staff Applications, and the Medical Forms and exam process. Summer Camp payments will be accepted as well

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 start filling out the "Blue Sheets" on May 18. Scouters will meet with the Scouts and help them sign-up for Summer Camp and review their class selections. Check your email for an

emailed version of the Class Sign-up sheet.

Carpenters Kitchen Service Project and Participation Point Opportunity.

Carpenter's Kitchen with Scout Troop 157 on Sunday, May 24, 10:00am @ Main Street and Ave. S. Call Mr. Sparks at 806-535-7450 and let him know you are able to help out. He needs about ten Scouts to help.

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.

Hello Scouters!

With only 4 days left to sign up to attend National Youth Leadership Training, we wanted to make it clear that this is a **training targeted at youth**. The NYLT course centers around the **concepts of what a leader** must BE, what he must KNOW, and what he must DO. The key elements are then taught with a clear focus on HOW TO.

Key points:

- Scouts can sign up individually.
- Registration ends May 18th.

- It has not been offered in the South Plains Since 2011. Don't miss out.

- They must be at least 13.

- Venture Scouts are allowed.

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 most important object in Boy Scout training is to educate, not instruct.”
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

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

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