

The Adventurer

Troop 157 Newsletter

May 22, 2015

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We will not meet this Monday, May 25, 2015 due to the Memorial Day Holiday. Enjoy the time with family and remember those who gave their all for our country.

Special Thank You's go out to Dr. Suzi Liner and her nursing staff for hosting our meeting last week. Thanks as well to Dr.'s Blann, Phy, Ragain and Walter for offering the physicals.

Thank you all again for your continued service to the troop and all you do for the boys!

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.

Hey Scouts, would **National Youth Leadership Training** look good on applications and resumes??

The National Youth Leadership Training

June 14-20, 2015 and will be held at our own Camp Post.

Registration Deadline has been extended to Friday, May 22, 2015. Any Scout who signs up with a friend pays only \$225.

With only 1 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 22nd.
- 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.

We begin our Summer Meeting Schedule on Monday, June 1, 2015.

We will kick off the summer with a very special treat. **Brice Chapman, Eagle Scout from Troop 157 and renowned trick roper and specialty act performer**, has agreed to perform his trick roping routine for us. We will meet at Brice's land located on east 50th street just east of the Loop. The entrance is on the south side of east 50th street and the bottom of the draw. Summer meeting time is 7:00pm and we will be finished by 8:30pm. Stay tuned for additional details.

Brice travels the country performing his specialty act, which also includes his faithful border collie, Jackpot, and his two trusty steeds, Crossfire and Peanut. Chapman brings a unique quality to his

trick-roping act with the addition of his animals, who offer their own amazing talents.

Chapman's uniqueness and level of talent has him being sought after to perform at some of the PRCA's finest rodeos. **He has made appearances at premier events such as the Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo, the Working Ranch Cowboy's Association Finals and the National Finals Steer Roping.**

Chapman has been featured on the *Texas Country Reporter* and RFDTV's *America By Horseback*, and has had the honor to perform for the families of the 9-11 victims. In 2006 Chapman was asked to perform for the President of the United States, George W. Bush, at the Congressional Picnic.

His roping demonstration is not to be missed. Bring a friend!!! Brice puts on a great show and you and your family will want to be a part of this event. **Wear your Class B grey t-shirt for Summer Meetings.** You will want to bring lawn chairs and bug spray.

Summer Camp Sign-ups Have begun!!!

TROOP 157 SUMMER CAMP LAKE MURRAY STATE PARK ARDMORE, OKLAHOMA

It is important that you sign-up for Summer Camp as Soon as Possible so the classes can be scheduled. Sign up at the next meeting. 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. 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."

Everyone, Scout and Scouter that is a member of our troop will need to have a physical. Physicals are required on an annual basis. **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.

Adults, your commitment to attend Summer Camp is needed. Contact Dr. Phy on Monday and let him know you plan on helping with Summer Camp. 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.

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!!!!

Save the Date!!!

July 4, 2015.

Fourth of July Flag Sales at the Parade.

We help our Chartering Organization, The Lubbock Lions Club, sell the flags. **This is a big fund raiser for our Troop. We need all of your help.**

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.

Pearls of Wisdom

“Scoutmasters need the capacity to enjoy the out-of-doors.”

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 25, 2015. Memorial Day. No Scouts.

June 1, 2015 7:00 – 8:30pm 1st Summer Meeting. Brice Chapman Roping event.

June 7-10, 2015 National Youth Leader Training @ Camp Post.

June 8, 2015 7:00 – 8:30pm Scout meeting

June 15, 2015 7:00 – 8:30pm Scout meeting

June 22, 2015 7:00 – 8:30pm Scout meeting

June 29, 2015 7:00 – 8:30pm Scout meeting

July 4, 2015, Help with Fourth of July Flag sales at the Parade!

July 6, 2015 Last scout meeting before summer camp.

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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