



The Troop 107 Weekly Blast

May 20, 2012

Next meeting

Tuesday, May 22 at 7:15 at Celebration. The service patrol for May is Dark Wings. Please arrive at 7:05 for set up and stay to teardown after the meeting.

- A Board of Review is available at this week's meeting for those scouts ready for advancement. Please remember to dress appropriately. This will be the final BoR opportunity before the June Court of Honor.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- 5/21 – Committee Meeting @ OSLC: 7:30
- 5/22 – Meeting @ Celebration Center: 7:15
- 5/29 – Meeting @ OSLC: 7:15
- 5/29 – Summer camp fees due
- 6/3 – Spring Court of Honor/Picnic @ von Oven: Noon
- 6/4 & 6/5 – OSLC Mega Garage Sale service
- 6/5 – Meeting @ OSLC: 7:15 - Last Spring meeting
- 6/15 - 6/17 – Campout @ Devils Lake
- 6/19 - Gear Return Only; 7:15 at OSLC
- 6/25 - Committee Meeting @ OSLC: 7:30

Eagle Project Approval Process

A presentation on the new Eagle project approval process will take place June 9 from 9:00-Noon at the Scout Lodge at Faith United Methodist Church in Lisle. Adult leaders, Life Scouts thinking of starting their Eagle projects, and their parents should consider attending. Attendees should bring a copy of the most current version of the "Eagle Scout Project Workbook" with them. Those interested in attending should RSVP to John Meyers:

jmeyers150@aol.com More info can be found at: <http://www.thunderbirddistrict.org/>

OSLC Mega Garage Sale

OSLC is holding their annual Mega garage sale at Celebration Center in June. Troop 107 volunteers are needed This is a service hours opportunity and chance to give back to OSLC. A sign- up sheet will be available at the Tuesday meeting along with information on times. Questions: contact Linda Pan at Lingjun.Pan@trizetto.com. Approximately five scouts are needed at each of the following times:

- Monday June 4 5 – 8 PM (unload cars)
- Tuesday June 5 5 – 7 PM (unload cars)
- Friday June 8 9 AM – Noon (assist customers)
- Saturday June 9 9AM – Noon (assist customers)
- Saturday June 9 Noon – 3pm (assist customers)
- Friday June 15 10 AM – Noon (Tent cleanup)

Missing Equipment

John R. requests that the following equipment sent home with scouts on the May campout be cleaned and brought back ASAP. If there are questions, John can be contacted at:

sportsguy125@sbcglobal.net.com

Mathew N. T-27, Stephen F. T-33, Alec H. S-6, Tommy S. T-5, Matt A. T-3, Maxwell J. S-3, Mike A. T-9, Jeremy R. Rain Fly, Jesse W T-4, Buster B. B-20, Tyler R P-3, Patrick S. C-4

T=Tent, S=Stove, P=P-Box, C=Cooler

June Court of Honor

The June Court of Honor and troop picnic will be held on Sunday, June 3 at Noon at the Von Oven Scout Reservation (701 S. West Street in Naperville). Scouts attend the picnic at no cost. Family and guests pay only \$5 each, with a maximum cost of \$10 per family. Further information and a sign-up sheet will be available at this week's meeting.

Committee Meeting

There will be a Troop 107 adult committee meeting Monday, May 21 at OSLC at 7:30 PM. All interested parents or guardians of current scouts are welcome to attend. This is an opportunity to learn more about the organization and operations of the troop.

More news on the following pages and at <http://troop107.com/>

More News

Parade Scouts needed

Mr. Rod Herbig of the Thunderbird District is seeking two Scouts for Saturday, May 26th **in full uniform** (no sneakers; minus merit badge sash) for the Annual Chicago Memorial Day Parade to help carry the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) Banner. Campaign hats will be furnished. Transportation will be provided if 2 Scouts travel together. The Parade will be televised on National TV. Boys will meet at Mr. Herbig's house at 5237 Oakview in Lisle at 8:30 A.M. Saturday morning. The parade kicks off at Noon. Interested Scouts should contact Mr. Seeden at timseeden@comcast.net or phone: **630-305-3977**. Service hours will be credited to the participants.

Adult First Aid Training

Mr. Adair will be offering American Heart Association first aid training with 2 year certification. The class will be 3 hours with scheduling priority going to Assistant Scoutmasters and other adults assisting at the June campout, summer camp, and/or the Bahamas high adventure trip (up to a limit of 10 adults in the first class). Cost will be \$20 per person, which includes a book. The class will take place before the June camping trip. Please contact Mr. Adair if interested: Adair.John@sbcglobal.net

Reading Merit Badge

Summer is a great time to do some reading and earn the Reading Merit Badge! This summer, Mrs. Thompson and Mr. Rynes will again be hosting a Reading Merit badge "clinic". Those interested will meet at Nicholas Library on a date TBD in July or early August. The list of requirements for the Reading Merit Badge can be found at <http://usscouts.org/usscouts/mb/mb095.asp>

Did you know that Naperville Public library offers volunteer opportunities that can be used to satisfy one of the requirements you can select for requirement 4? www.naperville-lib.org/node/556

On the day of the clinic, bring your completed reading log (remember to include an award winning book and 4 different book genres- see requirement #1d- which refers back to #1b), copies of your sources for #2, one of the options for #3 and a log of your time for one of the options for requirement #4. At the library, we will cover requirements # 1 a-c. Come with the other requirements met and you can complete the badge on that day. Please email Mrs. Thompson at lindamthompson@att.net or Mr. Rynes at discubs697@hotmail.com if you are interested in participating. Let us know if there are any dates in late July or early August that would not work for you. Hope to see you there.

Online Access to Advancement Information

Our Advancements adult leaders are working to make advancement information available via the web. For those already with an account, the following link is now available: <http://www.troopmasterweb.com/T107>
Those without accounts will be assigned IDs and passwords as soon as possible.

Do you have news to share with the troop?

Send email with any news you want in next week's Blast to Jeff Eastman
(T107CommitteeChair@gmail.com)

More News

Summer Camp

The troop will once again be attending summer camp at the Owasippe Reservation, Camp Blackhawk (Go!), near Twin Lake, MI. The dates this year are July 8-14.

Payment info:

Owasippe fee for scouts: \$275 (due by May 29)

Additional camp fees for scouts: \$50 (due by June 30); these fees cover the costs of travel, a pizza party at camp, a souvenir camp photo, and a patch.

Merit badge fees: Varies. See Corrinne Eastman for further information. (due by June 30)

Owasippe fee for adults assisting at camp: \$50 (estimated; the troop will be covering a portion of the total adult fee)

For more information: Contact Corrinne Eastman (T107Campouts@gmail.com)

Board of Review

There will be only one more Board of Review night before the June Court of Honor: May 22. Please remember the appropriate dress for Boards of Review:

1. Class "A" Scout Shirt
2. Neckerchief and slide
3. Pants: NO athletic shorts. Shirt tucked in.
 - a. For First Class and below: jeans without holes/rips are acceptable.
 - b. For Star and above: Scout should wear official scout pants or something similar: solid color dress or camping pants without holes/rips are acceptable.
4. Merit badge or OA sash is recommended but optional.

Also, Mrs. Rudolph is looking for more parents to join on an occasional basis for Boards of Review – it's a great way to get to know boys in the troop, it's fun and even inspiring! Please email BeckyRudolph5@gmail.com to be added to the volunteer distribution list.

Volunteer Position Available

Equipment Coordinator: As our Troop continues to grow the high quality program and activities we need to add to our Equipment Committee position. Bill Corbett has tirelessly prepared the troop with outfitting the new trailer, facilitating the purchase of new tents, dining flies, p-boxes and other necessary equipment. Bill has stepped down from this position to allow others the opportunity to build on all he has contributed to Troop 107.

Adults interested in getting involved in this or other positions please contact Jeff Eastman, Committee Chair (T107CommitteeChair@google.com)

More information

More information on Troop 107 activities can be found on the troop website: <http://troop107.com/>