



February 22, 2012

The Adventurer...

"Troop of the Southwest BSA Troop 157"

Scoutmaster, Brad Payne

Pancake Festival

Thanks to everyone who helped out with the Pancake Festival.

There were a few of you who came and worked early and stayed late. Your work above and beyond is appreciated. We have received many good compliments on how well the Scouts did in working the various tasks which make up the Pancake Festival. It is a great compliment and something each Scout can be proud of when a Lion's Club Member tells Mr. Payne that he is glad the Scouts are there because he knows the work will be done right. Mr. Payne received many such compliments. Congratulations to the Troop for a successful Pancake Festival and THANKS AGAIN FOR ALL THE HARD WORK AND EFFORT.

Pancake Ticket Money.

Turn in your Pancake Festival Ticket Money on Monday. **Mr. Cherry** gave each one of us 10 tickets to sell. You will turn in money equaling the number of tickets you sold and or the money for tickets sold plus any unsold tickets. Mr. Cherry wants to get the pancake tickets and money turned in ASAP. **Remember, you are responsible to turn in money and or tickets equal to the amount you were assigned.**

Spring Break Trip to the Lex!!!

Sign up on Monday at Meeting. **There are only 2 Monday nights before we leave on the Big Spring Break Trip.** Adults, let Mr. Payne know if your travel plans differ from the Troop's. **Our Troop's Spring Break Trip will be to the coast and overnighting on the Aircraft Carrier Lexington.** We leave on March 10 and travel to Mr. Liner's ranch near San Antonio. The next day we travel to Goose Island State Park where we will set up camp. Monday, we will travel to Goliad and tour the battle

grounds and the Missions. Tuesday we will break camp at Goose and drive to Corpus Christi. After some time in the State Aquarium, we will check aboard the Lex. We will stay on the Lex until we depart for home on Wednesday morning. Sign-ups have begun. The cost of the trip is \$185.00. You will need spending money for 3 meals on the road and any snacks or souvenirs you may want to purchase. Mr. Payne estimates you will need \$30-\$50.00.

LIFE to EAGLE Meeting.

A Life to Eagle planning meeting will be held on Sunday, March 4, 2012 at Oakwood UMC. We will meet at 2:30pm and review the process for Eagle Projects and application. This meeting is for both the Scout and his parents. Scouts, if you are a Life Scout or soon to be a Life Scout, you need to be at this meeting and learn what is required of you to get from Life to Eagle.

'Skill Wheel'. We have begun preparing for the Camporee by brushing up on our scout skills. **Tents; Needham, Ballenger, Sosa; Plants; Merriott, Pratas, Compass; Scarborough, Robison, Cherry, Simpson; Knots; Slay, Slay, Blake, Pope; Lashings; Mullins, Beck, First Aid; Rapier, Weaver, Rodriguez.** The Older Scouts are leading the sessions and showing **knowledge and leadership** to our younger scouts so they can learn and **polish their Scout Skills.** Venture Scouts, we need you to step up to the plate and lead the Troop in the Skill Wheel Classes.

Venture Crew— Great meeting, great ideas. Venture Guys, get involved and have some fun.

Recruiting Update

You have been doing a great job in recruiting your friends to join the best troop in town. Keep up the good work. Scouting is fun, but is

even more fun with your friends. Parents, help share the good news of the difference scouting makes in the lives of the boys. Now is the time to bring boys to the troop, sell the boys on the fun and the parents on the values of scouting. Free Movie Tickets!!!

Court of Honor DVD Videos can be ordered from Jerod Slay. Contact Jerod at jerod.slay@gmail.com with your name, address, phone number, and the number of copies of **Court of Honor DVDs** you would like to purchase. Each copy is \$12.

Scouts, don't forget your dues for Monday night meetings. Dues are only 25¢ per week. **Be responsible and take ownership in your troop.**

"To live is the rarest thing in the world. Most people exist, that is all." -Oscar Wilde

Dates to Remember

February 24-25, 2012 OA Spring Fellowship. All OA members should go.

February 27, 2012 8:00pm. Regular Meeting. Pancake money due. Refreshments: Scioli / Walter

March 4, 2012 12:15pm. Venture Lunch @ Buffalo Wild Wings on Univ.

March 4, 2012 2:30pm. Life to Eagle planning meeting @ Oakwood.

March 5, 2012 8:00pm. Regular Meeting. Refreshments: Mullins / Childre

March 10-14, 2012 Spring Break Trip to overnight on the aircraft carrier, the Lexington in Corpus Christi.

March 19, 2012 8:00pm. Regular Meeting. Refreshments: Headrick / Phy.

March 23-25, 2012 COPE Facilitator Training @ Camp Post

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