



March 7, 2012

# The Adventurer...

"Troop of the Southwest BSA Troop 157"

Scoutmaster, Brad Payne

## Spring Break Trip to the Lex!!!

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 and then travel to Mustang Island for some time on the beach. 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. 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. You can check out the Lex's gift shop online.

**We leave from Oakwood UMC on Saturday at 7:00am. Please be on time. For the return on Wednesday night, we will call when we are approx. 45 minutes away.**

### EQUIPMENT LIST

Duffle Bag, + 2nd smaller bag  
Sleeping bag, pillow  
Ground pad, Tarp or ground cloth  
Rain gear or poncho (rain chance)  
Toiletries / hair brush / comb / personal items  
Toothbrush / toothpaste  
Soap / shampoo  
Sunscreen / lip balm  
Wash cloth / bath towel  
Shower shoes  
Drink bottle / nalgene  
Scout Book  
Full Scout Uniform (for the Lex)  
Class B Troop t-shirt (wear on Tuesday for the Lex)  
Change of clothes for 5 days  
Shirts, Pants, Shorts  
Socks / undies

Jacket / coat (cool, humid weather)  
Hat or cap  
Shoes (closed toed shoes for the Lexington)  
Swim suit, beach wear, beach towel, sandals, beach items, toys  
Plastic bag to put wet swimsuit / clothes in  
Camera  
Flashlight with extra batteries  
Spending money for snacks, souvenirs, 3 meals on the return trip home (3 @ \$10.00 / meal) Estimates \$30 - \$50  
Medicines / medical conditions – (Medicines must be turned into the Scoutmaster)  
2nd Small duffle bag or back pack for your clothes & stuff for the Lex. We will re-pack down for the Lex.  
Scout Spirit

**There is a chance of rain in the forecast. Remember, there is no such thing as bad weather, just poorly prepared scouts.**

'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.**

### 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](mailto: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 \$9.

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

**"Well done is better than well said"**

-Benjamin Franklin

### Dates to Remember

**March 10-14, 2012** 7:00am Depart from Oakwood UMC for 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

**March 26, 2012** 8:00pm. Regular Meeting. Refreshments: Merriott / Hernandez

**March 30-31, 2012** Outdoor Leader Skills Training @ Camp Post

**April 2, 2012** 8:00pm. Regular Meeting. Refreshments: Sparks / Robins

**April 9, 2012** No School, No Scouts.

**April 16, 2012** 8:00pm. Regular Meeting. Refreshments: Hancock / New

**April 20-22, 2012** OA Conclave

**April 22, 2012** Autism Walk. This is a Troop Service Project.

**April 23, 2012** 8:00pm. Regular Meeting. Refreshments: Payne / Wilkes

**April 27-29, 2012** Backpacking Trip to Guadalupe Mtns. ?????

**April 30, 2012** 8:00pm. Regular Meeting. Refreshments: Scarborough / Turner

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