



The Adventurer...

"Troop of the Southwest BSA Troop 157"

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The Sleeping Giant Awakens!

We had a fantastic summer camp at cool Lake Murray and now it is time to crank it up again for a new school year and an exciting fall scouting experience that will no doubt include but not be limited to camp outs, competitions, cope courses, scout skills, merit badges, rank advancements, popcorn sales, and a Court of Honor for a big class of Troop 157 Eagle Scouts!

First, we have on the schedule the O A Ordeal weekend at Camp Post, this weekend! This Friday, August 15th, will be check-in at 6pm at Camp Post and it will finish with elections on Sunday morning, August, 17th. Cost is as follows: Ordeal candidates- \$35, Brotherhood candidates- \$30, Members-\$20. This is very important if you are an ordeal candidate (you just got tapped out-you know who you are!).

Next, we have the Adult Planning meeting on Monday, August 25th, at 7:30pm at Coldwell Banker. We invite and request that all scouters that make Troop 157 what it is to be in attendance!! We will plan the events, schedule the campouts and meetings, etc. This is very important to the troop that everyone who is a part of the success of the troop be in Attendance! Bring your calendars and your ideas/suggestions for the planning of a great fall scouting schedule. **Parents**, you are welcome and encouraged to attend this meeting. Let us know what you think and help us to set the campout calendar so it does not conflict with your activities. This is your chance to help pick the weekends for our outdoor events.

Important to note, we will not

have scouts on Monday, September 1st, as it is Labor Day!

Then it will finally be time to get together as a troop have fun, that is what it is all about, right? We will have our now famous **Welcome Back Burger Burn!**, Monday, September 8th, at 7pm at Wagner Park, 26th and Elgin Ave. Wear your class B t-shirts and invite a friend. This is a great opportunity to have fun and invite a guest. We also want to invite all parents, siblings, and family member to have a hamburger or a hot dog courtesy of the troop. As always, bring a ball or a Frisbee whatever you have fun with at a park!

Speaking of inviting a friend, this time of the year is perfect for growing the troop! With the new school year upon us, it is also the time when a young mans thoughts wonder to things like having fun outside in the cooler weather and going places to camp out or go skiing!! Surely you know of a boy at school, or church, or on your block, or at your school who would enjoy being a part of the fun we have at scouts and in Troop 157. We know how much fun it is, but, remember, they have never been to Lake Murray, or to Camp Post, or skiing with the troop in Santa Fe. What would be better than having a bunch of your buddies with you on Monday night at scouts or at Palo Duro Canyon on a campout riding your bike on a fast trail to Lighthouse!@? We look forward to seeing everyone back to scouts and with a friend you invited.

If you would like the newsletter via email, let Mr. Steve Slay know: snsly@swbell.net

Dates to Remember

August 15th—17th, 2008, O A Ordeal Weekend at Camp Post, 6pm reg-

istration Friday evening at Camp Post

August 25th, 2008 7:30pm Adult planning meeting at Coldwell Banker, 4924 S Loop 289. Plan the fall agenda and calendar of events and campouts!

September 1st, 2008 Labor Day holiday, no scouts! See you next week!

September 8th, 2008 7pm at Wagner Park, 26th and Elgin! Welcome Back Burger Burn! Wear your class B t-shirts and invite a friend! Parents, family are welcome!!!

September 15th, 2008, 8pm until 9:30pm regular meeting, in full uniform! At Bayless, Lets rock and roll!

November 10th, 2008 Eagle Court of Honor at the Civic Center! A BIG event!!!

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the Moms and Dads who helped us with Summer Camp. I appreciate all you do for Troop 157. Your contributions of both time and money are greatly appreciated. Your willingness to help when asked means a lot to me and makes our Troop what it is. Thank you again for your continued service.

Yours in Scouting,
Brad Payne

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