

February 14, 2008



The Adventurer...

"Troop of the Southwest  BSA Troop 157"

Scoutmaster, Brad Payne

Good meeting, good game, good scoutmaster minute by Mr Tidwell! *Made a difference on that one!*

The ski trip was fantastic! The weather was great and the snow was even better! A big thank you goes out to Mr. Cherry, Mr. Gosdin and Mr. Hawkins for making this trip possible. Sorry about those sunburns!!

Lions Club Pancake Festival is coming up! Saturday, February 23rd we will once again be helping the Lions Club with their major fund raiser of the year. This is when we all participate! We need all Scouts and Scouters to work the 4 to 8pm shift. Be there in full uniform and ready to work. Will work for food! Yes, you can eat free! We need you to come in on the east side and check in so we can record your service hours. **You will receive service hours.**

But now, we need to sell our 10 tickets that we received this past Monday night. The discounted price is \$4.50 and they will be \$5 at the door. Turn in your money and get some more! Keep selling those tickets and bringing the money on Monday nights!

Note: Since everyone is going to be at the pancake festival and wearing their uniforms, remember **on the following Monday night, we will wear our class B t shirts because our uniforms are dirty!** This is a great way to see if anyone is reading the newsletter!!!

- a troop cobbler cook-off (we need to be creative on this one, with a real catchy name and everything-presentation is key!

The patrol events are as follows:

- Compass
- Knots
- Lashings
- First Aid
- Nature
- Fire Building
- Scout Quiz
- Tent Pitching
- Problem Solving

Also, we will have a campsite inspection to make sure we have a model campsite, you know, good organization of the camp with the kitchen set up, tents, camp gadgets, neatness, etc. This is an opportunity for all scouts to show what they have learned in their time in scouting and to help the new guys learn things the right way! Troop 157 has a long tradition of winning and I mean winning big when it comes to camporees. We win, because we are prepared and Mr. Payne is going to be preparing us well!!

Congratulations to:

- **Gib Thrash** J T Hutchinson Middle School Spelling Bee Champion, the word is: *bou-doir*

Venture Update

Mr. Vance announced the Venture Patrol Mission Statement and made a point to share with the entire troop the goals of our ex-

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Dates to Remember

February 15th, 2008. O A Spring Fellowship @ Camp Post. OA members should have received info in the mail.

February 18th, 2008, 8pm regular Meeting at Bayless in full uniform! Merit badges and rank advancement, Refreshments: Mr. Rapier/Dr. Marx

February 23rd, 2008 Lubbock Lions Club Pancake Festival, 4pm to 8pm!

February 25th, 2008. Regular meeting at Bayless in class B shirt ! We know your uniform will be dirty from the pancakes! Refreshments: Mr. Cherry/Mr. Thompson

February 27th, 2008, 11:30am. "BBQ with Brad" @ Rudy's Roadhouse. Come and Go lunch & fellowship.

March 28th to 30th, 2008. Camporee at Camp Post! Lets have fun and win, too! It is a skills competition for patrols.

June 25th thru July 9th, 2008. Philmont Trek, scouting paradise!

July 12th to the 19th, 2008, Summer Camp, Ardmore, Ok!

We meet every Monday night at 8pm until 9:30pm at Bayless Elementary, 2115 58th in the cafeteria.

Brad Payne is our Scoutmaster, if you need to reach him, hm 797-3000 or his Cell phone is: 789-9155.

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one is reading the newsletter!!!

The Spring Break Trip has been canceled for this year. Instead we will attend the Council-wide Camporee. Yes, we are going to be gearing up for the upcoming campout to Camp Post for the annual Camporee on March 28th through the 30th. We will be camping as a troop and competing as patrols in the following events:

entire troop the goals of our experienced scouts!

The mission statement is:

The mission of the Venture Patrol is to participate in high adventure opportunities, support and participate in the activities of the Troop, assist in the advancement and growth of the younger scouts of the Troop and to exhibit at all times the high standards of the scout oath and law.

