



# The Adventurer...

"Troop of the Southwest BSA Troop 157"

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## The Giant Awakens If school is about to start then so is Scouts! Lets get ready to rumble!!

We had a fantastic summer camp in 2009 and we want everyone to **mark their calendars right now; Summer Camp 2010 is July 11th through July 17th, 2010!!!! on the shores of cool Lake Murray, Oklahoma.**

We have had a nice rest since summer camp and we hope you have had a good time. **Our first regular meeting will be Monday, September 14th, 8pm until 9:30pm at Bayless in full uniform.** "Lets kick this pig" and get moving toward Eagle! We will start with finishing up our paperwork on the final touches on rank advancement and merit badges before we start new ones! We also need to reorganize patrols and elect troop leadership.

As you know, before we can start, we need to set the calendar. We will do that on **Monday, August 31st, at 7:30pm at Bayless.** This will be an adult, scouter, parent, mom, dad, grandparent, aunt, uncle, etc, meeting! We need everybody, here I go again, making my pitch to encourage everyone who cares about the well-being and future success of every boy that calls Troop 157 home, we need you to be there with all of your calendars; your school calendar, your church calendar, your family calendar, your work calendar, your vacation calendar, your play calendar, your holiday calendar, football, band, sports, etc, etc, etc, you get the picture!@#? We need ideas for meetings, campouts and otherwise fun things to keep the kids and the adults coming back! What about that snake guy, where did he go? Or maybe that gun guy, where is he? What about a bike ride at Palo Duro Canyon,

maybe there is a new place like Lake Bonito that we have not even talked about yet. Anyway, we want you there and I don't have to tell you how important it is to be a part of your sons success in scouting!

**Ok, here is something** very important that we talk about this time of year, **it is recruiting**, yeah, recruiting baby! Now is the best time of the year to do that because school is starting, and you are getting back with your buds from school, everybody is hanging out after school, in the neighborhood and looking for something fun to do! Scouting is fun and it is more fun with your friends! So here is the deal, we want you to invite them to our annual **Kick-off Bash. Possibly September 21st at 7pm.**

This coming weekend, August 14-16th, 2009 is the OA Fall Ordeal Weekend. If you are a member of the OA, you have a commitment to be a part of this weekend of fellowship and service. We want to see all our OA Scouts and Scouters there. Come support our own Graham Rapier (Chapter Chief) and our scouts who are participating in the ceremonies.

**2010 National Jamboree** in Virginia at Fort A. P. Hill, 100 year **Anniversary!** Contact Mr. Liner To reserve a spot! ASAP!

**If you would like** the newsletter via email, let Mr. Steve Slay know: [snslay@swbell.net](mailto:snslay@swbell.net)

### Dates to Remember

**August 14th-16, 2009** Fall OA Ordeal at Camp Post. It would be wonderful to have a great 157 turnout.

**August 24th, 2009 School Starts,** no scouts, stayed tuned but definitely start recruiting for our kick-off bash!

**August 31st, 2009, 7:30pm At Bayless,** Adult planning meeting! Scouters, Dads, Granddads, Moms, Uncles, in-laws, out-laws, well you get the picture! Bring calendars, we will plan the fall! ***Very Important Meeting!!!*** We need everyone there that wants to be a part of the success we call Troop 157!

**September 7th, 2009,** Labor Day Holiday, no scouts, enjoy the fam!

**September 14th, 2009 8pm** until 9:30pm Regular meeting, at Bayless, in full uniform. Bring your scout books, your paperwork to finish up your partial merit badges and lets get moving toward Eagle. Recruit baby, recruit!

**September 21st, 2009 7pm** Welcome Back Burger Burn Kick-Off Bash & family get-together and recruiting extravaganza! Wear your Class B t-shirts, not your full uniform!

**September 25th thru 27th,** ??? Campout to Lake Bonita, camping, fishing, hiking, backpacking, a nice tour of Ruidoso on Sunday and back by 5pm! Can you say "Cool Pines"?

**September 28th, 2009, 8pm** until 9:30pm at Bayless, regular meeting, in full uniform. Merit badges and rank advancement, refreshments: Mr. C. Smith and Mr. S Slay.

**July 11th through 17th, 2010,** Summer Camp, Cool and lovely Lake Murray. Just outside of Ardmore, Oklahoma.

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