



# The Adventurer...

"Troop of the Southwest BSA Troop 157"

Scoutmaster, Brad Payne

## We Started!

**Monday we finally got back together as a troop and hit the ground running as we had visitors and Mr. Vance really upped the ante as for as encouraging everyone to recruit! Wes Wicker** thanked the guys that helped with the Cowboy Symposium this past Sunday and the guys that helped did a great job! **Scoutmaster Brad** had lots of cool things to tell us about as it sounds like we are going to have a fun and exciting fall in scouting! **Chief Graham Rapier** told us about O A activities and the recent election.

Of course **Mr. Vance** told us about movie tickets and Best Buy cards for simply inviting your friends to join you in having fun. The **Kernel** didn't say much.... Just one word ... "popcorn"!...

**Thanks to Mr. Vance** for his fine Scoutmaster Minute, the good things never change, like Scouting!

**Now, lets talk about the.. campout!!!! Only 10 days away!**

Signups have begun! We are going to **Palo Duro Canyon** the weekend of September 25-27th. The cost is only \$30 and we are going to camp, cook, ride our bikes to the Lighthouse and basically have fun and enjoy being scouts! For the guys that have something going on that Friday night, don't despair, we are going to arrange a group that leaves Saturday am to come on up and join us for the the bike ride and the Saturday night movie!@#? And of course we eat like kings anyway, so stay tuned for the menu! Also, thanks to Conner Needham for showing up on his bike to point out to each of us that plan on riding to Lighthouse (I highly recommend ) to get your bike in shape, that is to say, put the slime

in both tires and plan on bringing a spare tube and the tools to repair with! Remember, we are scouts and we are: Prepared!

**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! It is great, there is nothing out there like it, especially if they join Troop 157. So here is the deal, we want you to invite them to our annual **Burger Burn at Wagner Park, Monday, September 28th at 7pm** on the corner of 26th and Elgin Ave. Look for an upcoming email that will have an attachment you can use as an invitation. Thanks to Joshua and Caleb for the invitation work. Just wear your class B t-shirts, no full uniforms and definitely invite a friend and they can get started and by the court of honor have rank and maybe even a merit badge! I know Mr. Vance will have some kind of a very cool gift for you if you recruit someone! We definitely want you to come and bring your parents and your siblings, too, we are going to feed everyone, everyone is welcome! We are talking about the Troop 157 family!

**Philmont Update!** There are spots available for the trek coming up June 15-27th, 2010 and if you want to go, let Mr. Frullo, Mr. Rapier or Mr. Needham know ASAP!

**2010 National Jamboree in Virginia at Fort A. P. Hill, 100 year Anniversary!** Contact Mr. Liner To reserve a spot! ASAP! There are 2 spots available! July 23rd to August 4th, 2010!

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

## Dates to Remember

**September 21st, 2009 8pm** until 9:30pm at Bayless, in full uniform, working on partials and rank advancement, refreshments: Mr. Slay, Mr. Smith

**September 25th thru 27th**, Campout to Palo Duro Canyon, camping, cooking, hiking, rank advancement, a bike ride to Lighthouse and don't forget the movie night in camp! Sign ups have begun, it is only \$30.

**September 28th, 2009, 7pm** at Wagner Park, corner of 26th and Elgin. Welcome Back Burger Burn family get-together and recruiting extravaganze! Wear your class B t-shirts, not your full uniform, Invite a friend!

**October 5th, 2009**, 8pm until 9:30pm, regular meeting, at Bayless, in full uniform, Reorganize patrols, merit badges, rank advancement, refreshments: Mr. Needham, Mr. Pope.

**December 5th, 2009**, Eagle Court of Honor! Mark your calendars now!

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

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