



THE ROCK



Boy Scout Troop 255

September 2006

Harker Heights, Texas

Strictly Safety!

The theme for September is safety.

Take pride in yourself!

Don't forget to wear your tan uniform shirt to all troop meetings unless otherwise announced. Set an example and show that you are proud of yourself and your troop.

IT'S OFFICIAL...

Our youth leadership has selected and approved a troop activity schedule for the next 12 months. Upcoming events are listed in this newsletter.

Be sure to make note of dates permission slips are due so you don't miss any of these exciting events.



WEB NEWS



Just a reminder that the district website has changed to www.leonvalleydistrict.org.

A new troop website will be coming soon.

IT'S POPCORN TIME!

Yes, it's here already. The Show N' Sell has begun and the Take Order sales are coming soon. Fill up your Scout accounts by filling other people's bellies with delicious, gourmet popcorn! Mrs. Brown will announce dates, times and locations for sales soon.



Cooling Off

On August 27th, the Troop held a swimming party to attempt to beat the heat of the Texas sun. Everyone had a great time enjoying a delicious BBQ.

Mr. Tucky says...



Over the next few months, we'll be working toward earning the Ready and Award. This award was developed to encourage and reward troops that incorporate safe practices while enjoying challenging activities. This will also fit well into our September safety theme. I'd like to see the troop have all of the requirements completed by November so that we can submit the paperwork with our recharter.

Court of Honor

When? September 25, 2006, 6:30 p.m.

Where? St. Paul's Fellowship Hall

Why? To honor our Scouts and all that they have achieved and earned over the past few months. Families are welcome and encouraged to attend.



No Meeting

Just a reminder that there is no Troop meeting scheduled for Monday, September 4th due to Labor Day.

Enjoy your holiday weekend!

Support Our Chartered Organization!

The National Catholic Committee on Scouting (NCCS) has recently posted the requirements for the Glorious Mysteries Rosary Patch on their website. (www.nccs-bsa.org) Cost is \$4.50 per patch and will be awarded at a ceremony during mass at St. Paul's. Let Mr. Swader know when you've completed the requirements.

Permission Slip Deadlines

Here are the drop dead dates for permission slips to be turned in for the following events:

Guadalupe River Cleanup **September 11th**

LBJ Campout **September 25th**

Cub Fall Festival/Hayride **October 16th**

All permission forms need to be turned in to Mrs. Parker by these dates.

Trivia Question

Three key people influenced the development of the Boy Scouts of America. One of these men served as Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts from 1911 until his retirement in 1943. Who was he?

See page 3 for answer ballot



THE EAGLE'S NEST



ASPL Scott Lantis has appeared before the Troop Committee and presented them with his concept for an Eagle project. Scott has a great idea to build raised garden boxes at Indian Oaks Living Center in Harker Heights. He held a neighborhood BBQ to raise funds for the project, and exceeded his goal! He's definitely off to a good start.

Construction will begin in a few weeks. If anyone would like to help out with his project, please see Scott at a troop meeting.

ATTENTION ADULT LEADERS!

Council requires Scouters to renew Youth Protection Training every three years. However, due to new requirements imposed by the State of Texas, the course has been updated. If you haven't taken the course since May of this year, you'll need to retake the course online through the link on the council website (www.longhorncouncil.org). Once completed, you'll be able to print a training certificate.

NEW 2006 MERIT BADGE

The Composite Materials merit badge is here! When you earn this merit badge, you not only learn...but you also become exposed to a wealth of possibilities in a rapidly expanding career field! This month's *Boys' Life* magazine has a quiz you can complete and then mail it in to receive a free, limited edition patch. For more information on the new merit badge, log onto www.sgvcbasa.org and download the official workbook today!

TRIVIA

Bring the answer ballot below to the regular troop meetings and place in the ballot box. Prize will be awarded at the troop meeting on September 18th.

September Trivia Question

Who served as Chief Scout
Executive from 1911 – 1943?

Answer: _____

Your Name: _____

Your Rank: _____

Your Patrol: _____

Place this ballot in trivia box at troop meeting

CALENDAR OF EVENTS SEPTEMBER 2006

TROOP JUNIOR LEADER TRAINING

ST. PAUL'S FELLOWSHIP HALL
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

TROOP MEETING

ST. PAUL'S FELLOWSHIP HALL
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH, 7:00 P.M.

OA Ordeal Weekend

FRIDAY, SEPT. 15TH – SUNDAY, SEPT. 17TH

LVD NEW LEADER TRAINING

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH, 4TH ST., KILLEEN
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH, 9:00 A.M.

Open to any new committee members or members that have changed positions. To view available classes and to register online, visit the district website.

TROOP MEETING

ST. PAUL'S FELLOWSHIP HALL
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH, 7:00 P.M.
Theme: Safety

GUADALUPE RIVER CLEAN-UP

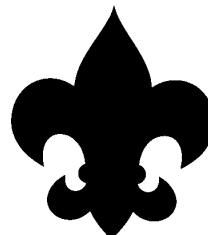
CYPRESS BEND PARK
SATURDAY, SEPT. 23RD, 8:00 A.M. – SUNDAY, SEPT. 24TH

TROOP MEETING / COURT OF HONOR

ST. PAUL'S FELLOWSHIP HALL
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH, 7:00 P.M.
Court of Honor will be held at this time. Be sure to wear your full uniform if you own one.

TROOP COMMITTEE MEETING

PAPA'S CAFE
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH, 6:30 P.M.
For adult leaders and committee members.



OCTOBER 2006

TROOP MEETING

ST. PAUL'S FELLOWSHIP HALL

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2ND, 7:00 P.M.

Theme is Nature for this month. Suspense date for Summer Camp Merit Badges

WOOD BADGE COURSE #783

SID RICHARDSON SCOUT RANCH

FRIDAY, OCT. 6TH – SUNDAY, OCT. 8TH

Leadership course for adult Scouters

TROOP CAMPOUT

LBJ RANCH

SATURDAY, OCT. 7TH – SUNDAY, OCT. 8TH

TROOP MEETING

ST. PAUL'S FELLOWSHIP HALL

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9TH, 7:00 P.M.

TROOP MEETING

ST. PAUL'S FELLOWSHIP HALL

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16TH, 7:00 P.M.

49TH ANNUAL JAMBOREE ON THE AIR

OCTOBER 21ST – 22ND

TROOP MEETING

ST. PAUL'S FELLOWSHIP HALL

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23RD, 7:00 P.M.

Theme: Nature

TROOP COMMITTEE MEETING

PAPA'S CAFÉ, HARKER HEIGHTS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26TH, 6:30 P.M.

For adult leaders and committee members.

CUB FALL FESTIVAL AND HAUNTED HAYRIDE

CAMP TAHUAYA

SATURDAY, OCT. 28TH – SUNDAY, OCT. 29TH

We will act as Service Troop for this event.

TROOP MEETING

ST. PAUL'S FELLOWSHIP HALL

MONDAY, OCTOBER 30TH, 7:00 P.M.



NOVEMBER 2006

MERIT BADGE COLLEGE

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH

TROOP MEETING

ST. PAUL'S FELLOWSHIP HALL

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH, 7:00 P.M.

Theme: Business

VETERAN'S DAY PARADE

DOWNTOWN KILLEEN

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH

MERIT BADGE COLLEGE

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH

HIGHLAND GAMES

CAMP TAHUAYA

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH

TROOP MEETING

ST. PAUL'S FELLOWSHIP HALL

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH, 7:00 P.M.

OA Elections will be held during this meeting.

FOOD FOR FAMILIES

KILLEEN SPECIAL EVENTS CENTER

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH

SERVICE PROJECT/CAMP WORK

CAMP TAHUAYA

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH

TROOP MEETING

ST. PAUL'S FELLOWSHIP HALL

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH, 6:00 P.M.

Game night!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!

TROOP MEETING

ST. PAUL'S FELLOWSHIP HALL

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH, 7:00 P.M.

TROOP COMMITTEE MEETING

PAPA'S CAFE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH, 6:30 P.M.