

TROOP 101 NEWSLETTER

March 20170

PATROL OUTINGS

Thunder Wolves: Thunderwolves are now called the Thunderbirds Throughout the month of February, the Thunderbird Patrol organized a service project to collect donations for the Humane Society from the entire troop. We collected 188 items total. We also met on February 17 at Laser Flash to play a round of laser tag. We also met at the Humane Society on the 25th to drop off donations and visit with the animals. After that, we went back to Simon's house to work on our patrol flag

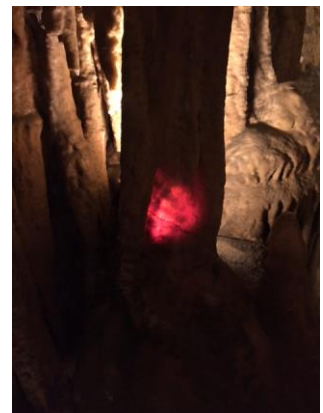
Jambalaya: Colby Plake and Aaron Donnelly participated in the Yeti Jump on Feb. 11

Storm Patrol: Feb 22 They Picked up trash at the Zimmer cemetery and on Feb 24 they went to Pinheads

Fire Breathing Ducks: on Feb 25 they planned outings, played board games, and watched Mythbusters

CAVING CAMPOUT

In February, we went on a wonderful trip to Marengo cave. Friday we took the ride out to Marengo Indiana, and spent the night in our tents. We woke up the next day and made a great breakfast and waited to go on our tour. We took a three hour tour of the cave. We did two tours, the Crystal Palace and Dripstone Trail tour. We saw many formations and learned their different names. After that we took the afternoon to rest around and hang out. We played kickball and other activities for entertainment. Later that night we all sat around the campfire talking, one of the best parts. Then we all went to bed. On Sunday Morning, we got packed up and went back to Home Depot.



MERIT BADGE OPPORTUNITIES

Merit Badge
University, March 10th –
11th Carmel High School

<https://scoutingevent.com/160-DMmbu>

Sagamore Council –
University of Scouting

March 18th 9am –4pm IN
University Kokomo

www.sagamore.camp-master.com

Benjamin Harrison
Presidential Site

Citizenship in the Nation

March 18th , April 5, May 13

Pre recs #3, #8

Register at

<https://scoutingevent.com/?2016HarrisonHouseMBWorks-hop>



MERIT BADGE SPOTLIGHTS: FAMILY LIFE

The merit badge that I will be covering today is the Family Life merit badge. In this merit badge you learn and practice what it means to be apart of a family and the responsibilities that come with that. Some requirements that you have to do are creating a chore list and follow through with it for 90 days, lead a family meeting, do a project around the house that would benefit your family, and discuss the role of being a father or parent with a counselor. This badge is required for the rank of Eagle. This badge is important because it teaches you how to be a good family member, and in the future, how to be a good parent.

~Nate Cook

Merit Badge Classes start Feb 27th

Programming
Weather
Camping
Dog Care
Personal Management
E.Science & Sustainability
Engineering
Entrepreneurship
Cooking

OA NEWS

Past Events:

NLS for OA members

The National Leadership Seminar (NLS) is a weekend training program focusing on leadership development. Many National Leadership Seminars are going on around the world with Boy Scouts from other countries, and some are international!

Upcoming Events in March:

OA Elections have happened and we will get to know the news of who was announced at the next Camporee so make sure to sign up for the spring camporee

The next OA event coming up is Spring Fellowship, March 17-19 This will take place at Camp Krietenstein. Register for this at <http://www.jaccostownelodge.org/>

~Tyler Hulka

PATROL NEWS

Misc.

Patrols were merged due to small sizes. The new patrols are as follows:

American, Fire Breathing Duckies, Flamingo, Hawkeye, Jambalaya, Nuclear Blackbirds, Phoenix, Spartans. Storm, Stormers, Thunderbirds

Newly Crossed over (Patrols will be formed in March)

SUMMER CAMP!!

June 18-24

Early Bird cost is \$350

. The EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION will close on March 23rd for all veteran Scouts (New Scouts - your cost remains the same regardless of when you sign-up). That deadline is just a month away. Be sure to sign up asap in order to enjoy the lower cost of going to camp.

2. As of this morning we have 39 youth and 17 adults signed up to attend. That's a pretty low number. How many more of you are going to register before the month ends? Can we get to 50? Can we get to 60?

3. Health Forms are required for ALL CAMPERS - youth and adult. The deadline to submit your fully completed health form is May 30th. All forms are to be turned into MRS. LONG.

4. The Firecrafter Candidate Declaration is open now. It's open to any current Woodsman. We do limit it to no more than 9 boys. There are 5 spots taken so far... who else will claim the final spots?

5. The list of available Merit Badge classes will be released in early March and information about when the sign-up opens will be provided after the schedule is released. Watch your email for more details yet to come.

6. All youth are required to participate in the annual BSA swim test. This test is required whether you take a water based merit badge class or not, and will be offered within the Troop coming up in March and will once again be at Noblesville High School in the Natatorium. The dates for the Swim test will be

Saturday, March 11 from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Monday, March 20 from 7:00 pm- 8:30 pm

7. After the last of our new Scouts complete their crossover, we will be hosting our annual "Introduction to Summer Camp" meeting on Tuesday, March 14 at 7pm in the Chapel. This gathering is for all new Scouts and Parents, and anyone who hasn't been to Ransburg with us yet and is a casual session to talk about Camp Life, Expectations, Merit Badges and More. It'll last about an hour and a half.

UPCOMING CAMPOUTS

March 17-19: Intro to Backpacking

Learn the Do's and Don'ts of Backpacking and how to pack efficiently!

MERIT BADGE OPPORTUNITIES

Fingerprinting and Crime Prevention Merit Badge

Indiana State Police Museum

March 18th at 9:00 am
Must register by March 16th

<https://scoutingevent.com/160-fingerprintingcrimeprevention>

Microsoft

Photography, Digital Technology, Programming

See link for March dates

<https://scoutingevent.com/160-17microsoftprograms>

RANK UPS

Tenderfoot : Hayden

Gallinat 2-20-17

Eagle Gold Palm : Josh

Kozicki 2-20-17



