



# Troop 122 News

April 2010

## OPEN HOUSE

We're having an Open House for prospective new scouts on Thursday, April 15, from 7:00 - 8:30 PM. All boys currently in 5<sup>th</sup> grade or older are welcome to attend. Invite your friends, neighbors, cousins, etc! We've sent invitations to boys at Moran, Bittersweet, Twin Branch, & Battell. Our scouts will be teaching some scout skills to our visitors & talking about why they like being Boy Scouts. If possible, a parent should accompany each boy.

## SUMMER CAMP

Our troop will be attending Summer Camp at Wood Lake Scout Reservation near Jones, MI, from Sunday, June 14, thru Friday, June 19. We are excited to have Ron Hipsher as our Scoutmaster in camp for the week and Vince Kertes will be back again this year, too. This is a great week filled with fun and learning and is a positive experience for scouts of all ages. The cost for camp is \$210 if paid by May 13 and \$240 if paid late. Scouts who were 13 by Jan. 1, 2010 are eligible for COPE this year. COPE is an additional \$20 but is well worth the cost. Fundraising and point money can be used for the entire camp cost. "Camperships" are available from the Council if you need help with the fees but you must apply by April 19. Camp info is available on the table at troop meetings. This is a reminder that all scouts need to have a new medical form with a doctor's page completed since 6/13/09. If your scout does not have a current form for camp they will not be allowed to stay. The form is on the table and on our website. Please sign up now!

**XX Scouts & Parents:**  
**Port-A-Pit April 3**  
**Anderson's Yard Work April 18**

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**All Scouts & Parents:**  
**Port-A-Pit April 17 & May 8**

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Apr	1	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	3	XX Port-A-Pit #2	
	8	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	15	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	17	Troop Port-A-Pit #1	
	18	XX Anderson's Yard Work	1 - 5 PM
	22	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
May	23-25	Webelos @ Rice Woods	
	26	PLC Meeting	6:30 - 8 PM
	27	Committee Meeting	7:00 PM
	29	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	6	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	8	Troop Port-A-Pit #2	
		OUMC Variety Show	7:00 PM
	13	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
		<b>Summer Camp Money Due</b>	
	14-16	100th Anniv Jamboree	
June	20	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	21-22	Relay For Life	4 PM - 4 PM
	25	Committee Meeting	7:00 PM
	27	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
		<b>Canada/Summer Camp Parent Meeting</b>	
	31	Memorial Day Parade	7:30 AM
	2	XX Sunburst Bags	4:30 - 8:30 PM
	3	Sunburst Bags	5:30 - 9:00 PM
	4	XX Sale Setup	5:00 - 10:00 PM
	5	XX Rummage Sale	7 AM - 5 PM
	13-18	Summer Camp	
July	29	Committee Meeting	7:00 PM
	17-24	Ottawa River Rafting	
	24	XX Bayer Picnic	10 AM - 4 PM
	27	Committee Meeting	7:00 PM
Aug	20-22	Osceola Bluegrass Festival	
	26	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM

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# WEBELOS

We will be having our traditional campout with first year Webelos at Rice Woods April 23-25. If you know of a Cub Scout Pack that has 1st Year Webelos who might be interested in camping with us, please contact Vince Kertes or John Likes so we can include those boys in this weekend. This is a great chance for Webelos and their parents to learn more about our troop and about Boy Scouting. Our scouts plan a full weekend of fun (& educational) activities for our guests. This campout has the culinary highlight of all of our outings: The Feast! Scouts & adults get to show off their camping kitchen skills by cooking up a veritable smorgasbord for dinner Saturday night. It's great fun & you'd be amazed what they can cook in a Dutch oven or on a camp stove!

# TURKEY RUN

Our Turkey Run campout was fantastic! Perfect weather, great campsite, superb hiking, delectable food - doesn't get much better than that! Thanks to Ron for organizing and to the ranger, Keith, for giving us the best camping spot possible! We'll be going there again, I'm sure.

# XX RUMMAGE SALE

XX scouts are planning their annual rummage sale for Saturday, June 5. We need all the donated 'junk' we can get! While you're spring cleaning in your house, garage, and shed put aside those things you don't want anymore. You can bring them to the sale on Friday night, June 4, or we can pick them up before and put them in our donated storage unit at McKinley Penn Storage. You'd be amazed at what people will buy! One man's trash is definitely another man's treasure!

# FUTURE PLANS

Future outing/campout plans include:

- Apr 23-25 Rice Woods (Vince)
- May 14-16 100<sup>th</sup> Anniv Jamboree (Ron)
- Jun 13-18 Summer Camp (Ron)

The person listed is the leader in charge of that campout. Refer specific campout questions to them.



# 100<sup>th</sup> ANNIV JAMBOREE

2010 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Boy Scouting in the United States. Celebrations are being planned all over the country and our Council is having a great one! It will be our May campout and is the 14<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> at the St. Joseph County 4H Fairgrounds. There'll be lots to do: from traditional Scouting fare like a Merit Badge Midway, pioneering, cooking, knots, Pinewood Derby, and camping to the not so traditional Robot Clubs, Scuba, horses, motorcycle stunt show, soap box derby races, and Brownsea Island games. The cost is \$25 per person so just \$5 more than a regular campout. We need to make our reservation right away so please sign up at a troop meeting!

# RELAY FOR LIFE

We will be helping the American Cancer Society at this year's Relay For Life at Mishawaka High School starting Friday, May 21, at 4:00 PM and ending about 4:00 PM on Saturday, May 22. This has been a very rewarding experience for our scouts and the Relay people are great to work with. If you like to stay up all night with your friends you'll like this! The catch is we have to help out wherever needed including trash duty, filling water jugs and serving food. We will also be doing the flag ceremony during the opening ceremonies. Watching the cancer survivors walk and reading the dedications on the luminaria bring home the true meaning of this event. We encourage all scouts to plan to attend as much of the 24 hours as possible. Bring your walking shoes! There is no cost for this event. Scouts will receive dinner on Friday night, breakfast Saturday morning and some snacks and drinks. Spending money is allowed as there will be a food vendor on site. The Relay committee could not put on this even without our help!

# CANADA RAFTING 2010

This is a reminder that your March 1 payment is past due! See your account statement or ask Bonnie if you're not sure how much you owe. Also, everyone going on the trip must have all three parts of the new medical form completed including the doctor's page.

# FUNDRAISING

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# PORT-A-PIT

Please sign up for our two troop Port-A-Pit chicken sales - April 17 and May 8. Everyone should plan to work for AT LEAST 2 hours at EACH sale. We will need lots of help! These Port-A-Pit sales pay for point money for camp and High Adventure. You earn 20 cents for every point and that can translate into big bucks for your scout. And remember, you will earn 50 points from each family member! (Only siblings age 11 and over can help.) Both sales are at the Marathon gas station on the northwest corner of Grape Rd. & Edison Rd. Scouts need to wear their uniform shirt. Everyone should dress for the weather - you'll be standing still, outside the whole time. This is how scouts learn to pay their own way. Let's get everyone out to help!

# SPONSOR NEWS

THANK YOU to Warren Chiropractic for renewing their sponsorship! We'd like to invite our sponsors to email us a business card or similar sized ad and we'll include them (in black & white) on a rotating basis on the blank side of the mailing address page. This is a great way to get some more exposure & to get your phone number & other information out to our readers. Send your ad to troop122@comcast.net. Do you know someone who might like to be a sponsor? For \$100 a year they get ad space on the trailer, are included in the list below and on our website, and they get a newsletter! Call Dee Joyner @ 674-7109 to add a sponsor.

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# TROOP MEETINGS

Regular troop meetings are every Thursday at 6:30 PM at the Osceola United Methodist Church. Please be on time! Remember to wear your Class A shirt and neckerchief and to bring your book and \$1 for dues.

# XX NEWS

We are going to do some yard work for an OUMC member, Bill Anderson, on Sunday, April 18, from 1 to 5 PM (or til it's done). We'll be raking leaves, mowing, picking up limbs & brush, etc. He'll pay us! The clean-up is at 11227 Harrison Rd. north side, gray house with a white fence, about 2 blocks west of Beech. Bring work gloves and leaf rakes. We've worked for Bill before and he really appreciates it!

# OUMC VARIETY SHOW

We have been asked to participate in the Osceola United Methodist Church's Variety Show on Saturday, May 8. We need to verify the time but it should be about 7 PM. Our scouts will be performing a couple of skits. We need to have the scouts committed in advance so they can practice their skits so a sign-up will be out at troop meetings. Scouts will perform in uniform. This is a great opportunity to participate in an OUMC activity!

# COMMITTEE

The current committee consists of the members listed below. Committee meetings are the LAST Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the church. ALL committee members should attend. Parents, sponsors and other interested adults are welcome at these meetings.

Vince Kertes	Committee Chrmn	679-4087
Ron Hipsher	Scoutmaster	274-4200
Matt Brownbridge	Asst. Scoutmaster	256-0571
Steve Buck	Quartermaster	259-3704
Devin Cartwright	Advancement	298-2624
Bonnie Clay	Asst. Scoutmaster	633-4876
Rick Fisher	Committee	675-9505
Ken Fritz	Roundtable	291-2640
Larry Hill	Church Rep	273-4756
Brad Hipsher	Asst. Scoutmaster	485-9000
Dee Joyner	Sponsors	674-7109
Joe Joyner	Treasurer	674-7109
Jack King	Quartermaster	674-6249
John Likes	Asst. Scoutmaster	255-3724
Jenny Sanders	Fundraising	259-1619
Ben Van Antwerp	Asst. Scoutmaster	257-1379
Scott Whitfield	Asst. Scoutmaster	255-2062