

Troop 122 News

May 2008



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 16, at 4:00 PM and ending at 4:00 PM on Saturday, May 17. 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, running the games and serving food. 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 and we need several adults on hand at all times. Scouts should plan to wear their uniform for the entire event. If you are staying overnight and want to grab a little shuteye you can bring clothes to sleep in, your sleeping bag and some toiletries. Bring your walking shoes! A signup sheet is on the table along with the permission slips. There is no cost for this event. Scouts will receive dinner on Friday night, breakfast Saturday morning and some snacks & drinks. Spending money is allowed as there will be a food vendor on site. Double points will be given to those who help for more than 12 hours. Please sign up to help this worthy cause! See Bonnie Clay if you have any questions.

PARADE

We'll be marching in the world-famous Osceola Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 26. Please meet at Baymar Plaza across from OC Lanes at 7:30 AM. Wear your FULL uniform with neckerchief! Bring a bag of wrapped candy to hand out. We'll be done by 9:00 AM.

TROOP T-SHIRTS

We're getting ready to order new troop t-shirts in the winning design from our earlier voting. The cost should be less than \$10 and an order form is on the table. Shirts will be handed out at camp for those attending. Everyone going sailing should purchase a shirt - we're wearing them when we visit St. Michael's. And no 'dark pink' this time!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May	1	Regular Meeting	6:30 PM
	2-4	Mtn Biking @ Fort Custer	
	8	Regular Meeting	6:30 PM
		<i>Summer Camp Money Due</i>	
	10	Troop Port-A-Pit #2	
	15	Regular Meeting	6:30 PM
	16-17	Relay For Life	4 PM - 4 PM
	22	Regular Meeting	6:30 PM
		<i>Summer Camp / Sailing Parent Mtg</i>	
	26	Memorial Day Parade	7:30 AM
	27	Committee Meeting	7:00 PM
	28	XX Sunburst Bags	4:30 - 8:30 PM
	29	Sunburst Bags	5:30 - 9:00 PM
June	6	XX Rummage Sale Setup	3 PM - ??
	7	XX Rummage Sale	7 AM - 4 PM
	15-20	Summer Camp	
	24	Committee Meeting	7:00 PM
	26	Planning Meeting	6:30 - 8:00 PM
	28	Scott's Eagle COH	1 - 4 PM
July	17	Fire @ The Library	6:30 - 8:00 PM
	22	Committee Meeting	7:00 PM
	26	Leave for Sailing!	
Aug	2	Home from Sailing	
	15-17	Bluegrass Festival	
	21	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM
	25	PLC Meeting	6:30 - 8 PM
	26	Committee Meeting	7:00 PM
	28	Regular Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM

May 22 Troop Meeting

Summer Camp Scouts & Parents

6:45 - 7:30 PM

Sailing Scouts & Parents

7:30 - 8:15 PM

BOY SCOUT TROOP 122
431 N BEECH RD
OSCEOLA, IN 46561



FORT CUSTER

We will be biking the mountain bike trails at Fort Custer State Park near Kalamazoo, Michigan for our May 2-4 campout. We have a great campsite between two lakes and the trails are fun! We're looking forward to last campfire of the scouting year, too! Don't forget that all scouts will need to be picked up at the church on Sunday at noon.

SCOUT SKILLS

Well the big surprise at our March 28-30 Scout Skills campout was catapult building! Our scouts spent several hours building catapults and then launching tennis balls to test them out. Besides learning a lot about lashing the teamwork was phenomenal! The other exciting thing about the weekend was mud - and lots of it! It was the first campout for our new scouts, too, and they did a great job! Thanks to Ron for organizing,

SAILING 2008

All sailing participants and parents must attend the meeting on Thursday, May 22. The sailing portion of the meeting will begin about 7:30. We'll be discussing things you need to know! See your account statement for your amount due. The final payment will be due BEFORE July 1. We will be glad to take small payments at any time and apply them to your trip balance. Don't forget that participating in all of the fundraisers and service projects over the next month will earn you money indirectly as points. Everyone must have an up-to-date medical form. Scouts and adults under 40 must have a physical every 3 years. Adults 40+ must have one every year. Pick up a medical form at a troop meeting. Boat crews have been assigned and they are working on designs for their burgees (flags to fly on their boats). We'll be getting ready to go all day on Friday, July 25. We'll need some adults to help out that day starting at 9 AM. There'll be a lot of food to organize! Finally, just a reminder that all scouts going on the trip have some advancement and merit badge requirements to complete. Be at these last 4 meetings! Small Boat Sailing and Swimming can be earned at camp.



WEBELOS

Great food, great weather, great people, great place! What more could you ask for? Even with some rain on Saturday our Webelos campout was as close to perfect as you can get when teenage boys and Mother Nature are both involved! Our scouts put on a fantastic program for our visitors and their parents and they cooked up an amazing smorgasbord of culinary delights on Saturday night. The cobbler was some of the best ever, too! Thanks to Vince, John & Steve for planning a superb weekend!

SUMMER CAMP

Scouts attending camp and their parents must attend the troop meeting on May 22. The Summer Camp portion of the meeting will begin at 6:45. Scouts will also spend time during that meeting looking at the merit badges offered at camp. Please remember that camp money is due by the May 8 meeting. The cost for camp is \$190 if paid by May 8 and \$205 if paid late. Scouts who were 13 by Jan. 1, 2008 are eligible for COPE this year. COPE is an additional \$40 but is well worth the cost. Fundraising and point money can be used for the entire camp cost. Points will accumulate through the Sunburst Bags service project on May 29 and we can project their amount to adjust what you pay on May 8. IMPORTANT: All scouts attending camp must have a medical form less than 3 years old. All unexpired medical forms must have the information verified and signed by a parent. Your son will not be allowed to stay at camp without the medical form. Also, couts are not allowed to bring cell phones, video games, mp3 players, etc. to camp. This is not our rule - it's a camp rule. You can read more on what to bring and not to bring in the Summer Camp Guide available at troop meetings or online from our website, troop122.net.

FUTURE PLANS

Future outing/campout plans include:
May 2-4 Mtn Biking @ Fort Custer (Joe)
Jun 15-20 Summer Camp (Ron)
Jul 26-Aug 2 Sailing (Bonnie)
The person listed is the leader in charge of that campout. Refer specific campout questions to them.

FUNDRAISING

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PORT-A-PIT

Our last troop Port-A-Pit sale is on Saturday, May 10. We will be cooking and selling chicken at Koach's Kash Station but also selling at Borders until 2:00 for our pre-sale ticket-holders. Please go to Koach's, just west of Grape on Edison to work your shift. Some people will be sent to Borders but most will stay at Koach's. Be sure to dress for the weather and arrive a couple of minutes before your start time! All workers receive one half-chicken and a pop as their reward for helping!

**XX Scouts have frozen
Port-A-Pit chicken for sale!
4 per bag for \$15
That's like getting one free!
Easy to heat up!**

SPONSOR NEWS

All of the new sponsors have been added to the trailer. We also replaced the badly faded logo and some of the other lettering. Thank you to U.S. Signcrafters for doing such a great job. And all of our sponsors are now on troop122.net with links to their websites! For \$100 a year they get ad space on the trailer, they are included in the list below and on our website and they get a newsletter every month! Call Dee Joyner @ 674-7109 to add a sponsor.

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR SPONSORS!

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Osceola Business Assoc	Osceola Clinic
Osceola Lions Club (\$150)	Performance Carstar
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Wounded Knee Roofing	
Randy Leliaert Agency (\$600)	
McKinley Penn Self Lock Storage (\$480)	
Ongoing: U.S. Signcrafters	

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.

EAGLE NEWS

Jeff Heritz passed his Eagle Board of Review so he's our newest Eagle Scout! Congratulations Jeff! Scott Whitfield's Eagle Court Of Honor will be Saturday, June 28, 1 - 4 PM at the church. Chris Lies is waiting to have his Board of Review.

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It's time to get together all of your usable "junk" for our rummage sale on June 7. McKinley Penn Storage has donated the use of a 10'x15' unit until the sale. If you know someone who has stuff to donate but doesn't want to keep it around, call Bonnie about getting into the storage unit. Everyone should be planning to work Friday afternoon and evening, June 6, for the setup and all day Saturday for the sale. We quit selling at 3 PM and start cleaning up so plan to stay until 4 PM. We'll be selling Port-A-Pit one more time so be ready to hold some signs again!

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	257-8327
Matt Brownbridge	Asst. Scoutmaster	256-0561
Steve Buck	Committee	259-3704
Bonnie Clay	Asst. Scoutmaster	633-4876
Rick Fisher	Committee	675-9505
Ken Fritz	Roundtable	291-2640
Larry Hill	Church Rep	273-4756
Dee Joyner	Sponsors	674-7109
Joe Joyner	Treasurer	674-7109
Jack King	Quartermaster	674-6249
John Likes	Asst. Scoutmaster	255-3724
Sharleen Potterbaum	Fundraising	293-9318
Bonnie Swiatkowski	Advancement	291-9355
Daryl Bjoraas	Asst. Scoutmaster	256-5991
Chris Lies	Asst. Scoutmaster	257-1833
Eric Potterbaum	Asst. Scoutmaster	293-9318
Shaun Swiatkowski	Asst. Scoutmaster	291-9355
Ben & Klay Van Antwerp	Asst. Scoutmaster	257-1379
Josh Walker	Asst. Scoutmaster	674-5173
Scott Whitfield	Asst. Scoutmaster	255-2062