



Troop 842 February 2008 Newsletter



Upcoming Troop Events

- February 1st to 3rd** – Camp Constantine
- February 9th** – Scouting for Food Bag Drop-off
- February 16th** – Scouting for Food Bag Pickup
- Feb 19th** – Deadline for Court of Honor Advancement Recognition
- March 4th** – Court of Honor
- March 28th to 30th** – Camporee at Camp Cherokee
- April 25th to 27th** – Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge Campout
- June 8th to 14th** – Summer Camp, Camp Hale.

Check it Out!!!

Clements Scout Ranch / Camp Cherokee Feb 1st – 3rd

Checkmate? Also check out the Broun Barcalounger Ty is in..



Fresh Beef Jerky off the lashed grill anyone? Scrumptuous!!!



Troop Web Site

Check out pictures of our campouts, check upcoming events on the calendar, get a camping checklist, view leadership positions and requirements, newsletters, etc. You get the message—there's a ton of good stuff out there. Check it out: <http://www.troop842.com/>

Special Events and Information

Total Lunar Eclipse

For all you astronomy enthusiasts there will be a total lunar eclipse on February 20th/21st. It will be at a reasonable hour and should be the best lunar eclipse for a long time. The total lunar eclipse happens when the entire moon passes through the earth's umbral shadow. The event should be quite striking due to the moon's vibrant red color during totality.

Summer Camp June 8th to 14th

This year we will be going to Camp Hale, Oklahoma, and the early date ensures nice cool weather camping. Cost of the camp is \$180 plus transportation. Deposit of \$95 is due by March 3rd. All Scouts and adults under 40 years of age are required to complete the Class 1 Personal Health and Medical History form (each year). The Class 2 Medical Evaluation form needs to be completed every 36 months. Adults older than 40 years of age must have a physical examination each year and use the Personal Health and Medical Record Form Class 3. Camp video at <http://www.halescoutreservation.org/promo/>

Webelos Crossover

It is that time again, where the Webelos start making troop visitations and cross over into Boy Scouts. We will have about 100 Webelos visiting our troop during the next several troop meetings, so be sure to welcome the potential new scouts and their parents, and let's show them what a great troop we have.

Scouting for Food

Our premier community service event happens the mornings of February 9th and 16th. The food banks are reporting alarmingly low levels of food in their pantries, so now is the time for us to step up and help out our community. Scouts participation is mandatory.

Advancement Minute

When you have completed the leadership participation requirement for the rank of Star, Life or Eagle, you need to have it signed off in your Scout Handbook so it can be entered into the computer. To do this you need to ask the Advancement Chair, Mrs. Farr, to print an Individual Participation Report which shows the number of campouts, monthly activities, troop meetings and PLC meetings that you have attended since your last rank. Give this report to Asst. Scoutmaster Eugene Middleton to verify that you have attended 70% of each category and completed Jr. Leadership Training. Once he signs your Handbook, bring it to Mrs. Farr to enter into the computer.

Merit Badges in Progress

- First Aid
- Citizenship in the Nation
- Citizenship in the World
- Personal Management
- Environmental Science
- Camping
- Pioneering
- Cooking

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