

The Bugle



Issue 24

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October 24-25th Troop Outing "Webelos-Ree"

When: Saturday, October 24-Sunday, October 25

Departure: Saturday 7:30am sharp.
Be at the Church by 7:00am

Return: at the Sears parking lot ~ Noon Sunday

Where: Claude Moore Scout Reservation, Ashburn, VA off the Dulles Greenway.

Cost: \$10/scout & \$5.00/adult person which includes Saturday dinner and breakfast provided by the OA. Bring a bagged lunch for Saturday.

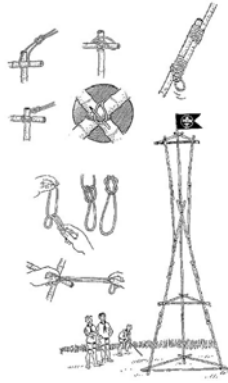
Events: The weekend will be filled with fun activities, demonstrations by Boy Scout troops, and plenty of outdoor excitement. Campfire program put on by the OA. The troop plans on building ~ 20ft signal or flag tower and possibly running 1st Aid activities for the Webelos Readyman activity pin.

Scouts that participate can earn service hours or civics community service hours.

Campmaster: Mr. Murphy

November 20-22 at Camp Snyder (Cabin Camping). Open to Webelos II and their parents. First Aid and Emergency Preparedness Merit Badge preparations. Webelos II scouts invited. Campmaster: Mr. Davis. Stay tuned and check out the Troop Website for more details

December 5-6 at Camden NJ. Tour Philadelphia and overnight encampment on the battleship USS NJ. On ship complete the First Aid or Emergency Preparedness MB. Also, Radio and American Heritage MBs offered. Campmaster: Alex Graham. Cost of \$65.00 per scout. We must have all permission slips and money for this trip by Oct 6th. Stay tuned and check out the Troop Website for more details.



October-November Important Dates to Remember

Oct 6: Fall Court of Honor (7pm)

Oct 13: Troop meeting

Oct 19: Committee/Parents Meeting @ 7pm

Oct 20: Troop meeting

Oct 24-25: Webelos-Ree Troop Campout

Oct 27: PLC and ASM Corp Meeting @ 6:45pm

Nov 3: No Meeting (FCPS teacher work day)

Nov 6-8: OA Ordeal

Nov 7: Scouting for Food bag distribution

Nov 10: Troop Meeting

Nov 14: Scouting for Food bag pick up

Nov 17: Troop Meeting

Nov 20-22: Troop Outing @ Camp Snyder

Nov 24: PLC/ASM Corp Meeting @ 6:45pm

Nov 30: Committee/Parents Meeting @ 7pm



Fall Court of Honor

Family and friends of Troop 1257 Scouts are invited and encouraged to attend the next Court of Honor scheduled for Tuesday, Oct, 6 at 7p.m. Show your support of our Scouts as we recognize their achievements and award rank advancements and merit badges earned since the last Court of Honor in the Spring. The Scouts were especially busy at summer camp, so there is much to celebrate.



SELL-SELL-SELL POPCORN

It's that time of year again for Troop 1257's annual popcorn fundraiser. Our key fundraiser is now even more important than ever as our drive to raise funds for new Scouting equipment. Not only does our Troop benefit from this fundraiser but so do our scouts to replenish their scouting account. Approximately a third (30-32%) of your scout's gross sales will be deposited into his account which can be used to pay annual dues



(\$150.00 due Jan 1st 2010), offset the cost of summer camp or any of our monthly or high adventure trips.

Our goal this year is for every scout to sell at least \$300-\$500 worth of popcorn. The scouts that completely fill up a form will also have an opportunity to smash a whip cream pie into the face of a Troop 1257 Adult leader. Parents: One of the key factors in the success of this fundraising campaign is the involvement of the parents. We need each of you to take an active part in encouraging and assisting your scout in selling popcorn this year.

Last orders are due to Mr. Ticer on Nov 16th.

If you have any questions you can contact Mr. John Ticer, the Troop's Popcorn Kernel.



Next OA Ordeal and Brotherhood Induction Ceremony Nov 6-8 at Camp

Fraser in Great Falls. Contact Matt Ross the Troop's OA Representative for additional details.

Advancements

The following Scouts were awarded Rank Advancement during the summer months.

Tenderfoot:

Javier



Second Class:

Ian
Javier



First Class:

Jason
Jonathan



Star :

Eric
Justin
Spencer



The Troop will be selling holiday greenery soon-an additional fundraiser



Scoutmaster's Corner

"A good citizen-are you one?"

Baden Powell wrote "a good citizen is first and foremost a man of sound character. A Scout's duty is to be useful, and help others"—then he will begin straight away with a daily Good Deed; nothing spectacular, but just something which otherwise he would probably not do" **What does being a good citizen mean to you?** As some of you have studied in Civics, being a good citizen is crucial to your community, nation and world. One important aspect of a good citizen is to "give back" or volunteer. In your busy months ahead with school, scouts and the upcoming holidays, please consider all the opportunities there are to volunteer. Look around, ask, and be creative! Go beyond the minimum hours needed for school, honor societies, and rank advancements in Boy Scouts. All acts of volunteering, whether great or small, will enrich your life and others around you. What you give of yourself will be far better than you'll ever receive. **Are you a good citizen?**

PRIZE Question!! What famous American citizen said "The most important thing in any relationship is not what you get but what you give..... In any case, the giving of love is an education in itself" The first Scout who hand can deliver a written note to the Scoutmaster at a troop meeting listing the name of this person will win a \$5.00 gift certificate to use at Dunkin Donuts!

Yours in Scouting,
Mr. Davis

Bugle Contributions

Contact Paul D, our Troop SPL-Historian, with any newsletter contributions at:
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