National Jamboree



Every four years, since 1937, the Boy Scouts of America has held a National Scout Jamboree for Scouts and leaders of Boy Scout Councils throughout the United States. This summer, the 15th National Jamboree will be held at Fort A.P. Hill in Virginia. Nearly 38,000 Scouts and leaders will gather from July 22

through August 1 for a wide range of daily activities including scuba diving, confidence courses, kayak fun and buckskin games; Regional Action Centers with rappelling towers, trap shooting, an American Indian Village; and arena shows, daily stage shows, and much, much more

Attending the Jamboree from our troop are: Travis and Tripp Collins, Chris Danes, Timothy Green, Will Hall, Michael O'Neill, Avery Scott, Jeff and Matt Silverberg, and Greg and Russell Spatholt.



Michael O'Neil, Chris O'Neil, Timothy Green, Ian Barker, and Tripp Collins strike a pose aboard the "Lizzie Gator." The object of the race is to stay on the "Lizzie Gator" and move the 8'x4' plywood board forward, over the barrels using two poles. The fastest time completing a set distance wins. All members must stay aboard and work together. When they advance far enough to grab the rear barrel, they pass it forward and place it on the ground in the front. They then use the poles some more until they can grab the next rear barrel, pass it forward, place it in front, and so forth. Out of 30 patrols, our two patrols placed 1st and 2nd! WOW! No preparation; just teamwork!

Full uniforms are now required at troop meetings. If you have not yet received your pants, you are exempt from having to wear the new ones, however, in the meantime, those Scouts should either try to wear their old camos or another type of olive green pair.



Scorpion Patrol attempts to get all their members through holes in the "Spider Web" without touching any of the ropes, during the Council Camporee at Camp Coker.

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October 27-29, O.A. candidates Theodore Fontana, Cory Keibler, Jeff Silverberg, and Matt Silverberg will be going through their Ordeal Ceremony at Camp Coker during Santee Lodge's Fall Fellowship.

NARC NEWS Ms. Bezmen's Advancement Corner

All the Life scouts are busy thinking and planning out Eagle projects. Some have either met with or talked with the District Advancement Chairman to discuss projects and that is wonderful. There is advancement fever running around and that helps keep the excitement level high in the Troop—and me rather busy.

November will begin a new series of classes, but you must remember that we can only take you so far for some of these badges. In cases like that the work must be done at home, at school, at the library, somewhere other than the meeting. For instance, Personal Fitness Merit Badge requires a 120 day fitness chart be kept (and if you need this merit badge, you can begin working on it and we can then meet and discuss the additional requirements!).

If any adult is interested in helping out with skills instruction or serving as a merit badge counselor, please let us know.

New Troop Trailer

We have a new trailer to haul our gear AND a new Quartermaster to help keep us all in line with our equipment. Avery Scott did a bang up job as QM last camping trip, and now with the new trailer, even more organization is just around the corner. New equipment coming, too!