

The Troop Scoop



SPL's MESSAGE

Here we go again! I guess it's time to start of another great year with Troop 147. This year we would like to see everyone help out. We need you as patrol members to continually be contacting your patrol leader. He will in turn let us know what you would like to see. So if there is anything you need for advancement, or would like to see our troop do, let us know by talking with your patrol leader. The PLC is elected to help get done what you need done. We are here to help, and will do so in any way that we can, we just need to know what you need or want to see happen. Have a great rest of the summer. :) See you again soon.

Thanks,
SPL



Troop 147 Philmont trekkers – Enjoy your Philmont trek. Bring back some stories and pics!

OA News.....

We had a great week at camp and it's hard to think about the end of summer but the Order of the Arrow is already working on plans for the Fall Conclave. OA members, mark your calendar and plan to join the effort to help the camp staff pack up camp and welcome new Ordeal members. The Conclave is scheduled for August 22-24. It's a special weekend; plan to be part of it! Registration is due by August 15th. Check your *Sparks* for details.

OA Rep

Southside Swim Party

The Third Annual Troop 147 Swim Party at Southside Swim Club is planned for August 25th. This event is a blast. Plan to arrive by 7:45 PM. The pool is open from 8 - 10 PM for swimming. Bring your towel, suit and goggles. There are locker rooms there. It's cool if you want to bring some pool stuff like noodles, rafts, and balls. It's only \$7.00 - which covers swimming and food. (Southside members just pay \$3.00) Call the Scoutmaster if you have questions.

Don't fail to get this date on the

calendar!



An Interview with the SM

(Conducted by ED - a Scout Spirit.)

ED: What's a patrol?

SM: It's a group of boys that do things together. They help one another succeed. They learn how to work together.

ED: So, what kinds of stuff do they do?

SM: Camping, service work, a movie maybe.

ED: Do they need leaders with them?

SM: Sometimes. The Patrol Leader needs to have a plan and bring it to me or the ASM that is working with the patrol for review. We'll work that stuff out depending on the activity and the age of the scouts.

ED: Would you say it's important to talk with your Patrol Leader?

SM: Absolutely! That's how you make things happen!

ED: I hear the PLC has set a goal for Patrols, is that right?

SM: Yes, the PLC wants each Patrol to hold TWO overnight outings this year.

ED: I guess that means we should talk with our Patrol Leader and make some plans.

SM: You're catching on! Now, where is my coffee?

Important Dates

Scoutmasters' Meeting.....	August 9 th
Round Table / OA Mtg.....	August 14 th
PLC Meeting.....	August 16 th
Troop Swim Party.....	August 25 th
BOR's.....	August 25 th
OA Conclave.....	August 22-24
Committee Meeting.....	August 28 th
Scout Salute.....	September 11 th
Fall Kickoff.....	September 15 th

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Fall Kickoff Meeting.....Monday, September 15th