

Troop 211 Newsletter

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Help!! We Need Adults!!

From our Committee Chairperson:

As mentioned in the last newsletter we are in dire need of some additional adult guidance. Even though this is a boy run organization, it needs a lot of adult assistance. From running an event such as a bottle drive, helping out our committee by becoming a member to sit in on a Board of Review, to even stepping into a role on the committee!

We need your help to succeed! Your scout needs you to help the troop grow!

Please join us at our next committee meeting, which will be on Monday August 15th, at Green Street Tavern. The meeting will start at 7pm. Please contact Pat Morgan if you are interested!

Summer Court of Honor

The troop will be celebrating the Summer Court of Honor at Lakeport State Park. Families of all scouts are encouraged to attend. You can camp with us, camp in the park (if you have trailer) or you can come up for the day. You can arrive well before dinner where the troop will share in a family dinner and Court of Honor

Your scout will be recognized for their achievements since April. Finally, your family can stay with us for the campfire which begins around 8pm.

Be on the lookout for Scoutlander emails about

what you should bring to share (drinks, dessert, snack foods, main dish, beverages) for the Court of Honor. A Sign-Up Genius page will be created to keep track of who is bringing what.

Each family should bring a dish to share with the troop.

Scouts are expected to attend the full weekend of camp, from Friday to Sunday unless prior arrangements have been made. It is important that all scouts participate in the clean up on Sunday morning. Leave No Trace and Take Only Pictures!

This Month's Meetings

Sept 7th- NB Civic Club -7 PM - 8:30 PM

Sept 14th- NB Civic Club -7 PM - 8:30 PM

Sept 11st- NB Civic Club -7 PM - 8:30 PM

Sept 28th- NB Civic Club -7 PM - 8:30 PM



July Wright Patterson Air Force Base Campout

The troop made the trek to Columbus, Ohio to visit the National Air Force Museum at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. We stayed at Cricket Hollar Boy Scout Camp in a nice air-conditioned cabin! The scouts enjoyed the museum. The scouts prepared dutch oven recipes for dinner and after dinner, Sergei had them all work on knots for rank! It was a great trip for all!



Bat Houses for DTE

One of our scout dad's, Zack McCormick, suggested to the troop committee a conservation project. DTE requested bat boxes to be built by the troop and then hung up around the tri-county area. This project would directly benefit the bat populations in Macomb, St. Clair, and Oakland counties. We had a great time, at Mr. Thomas' house building the boxes. Special thanks to Stu Resch, Zack McCormick, Frank Brooks, Dave Molczan and Anthony Jubinski for helping out!



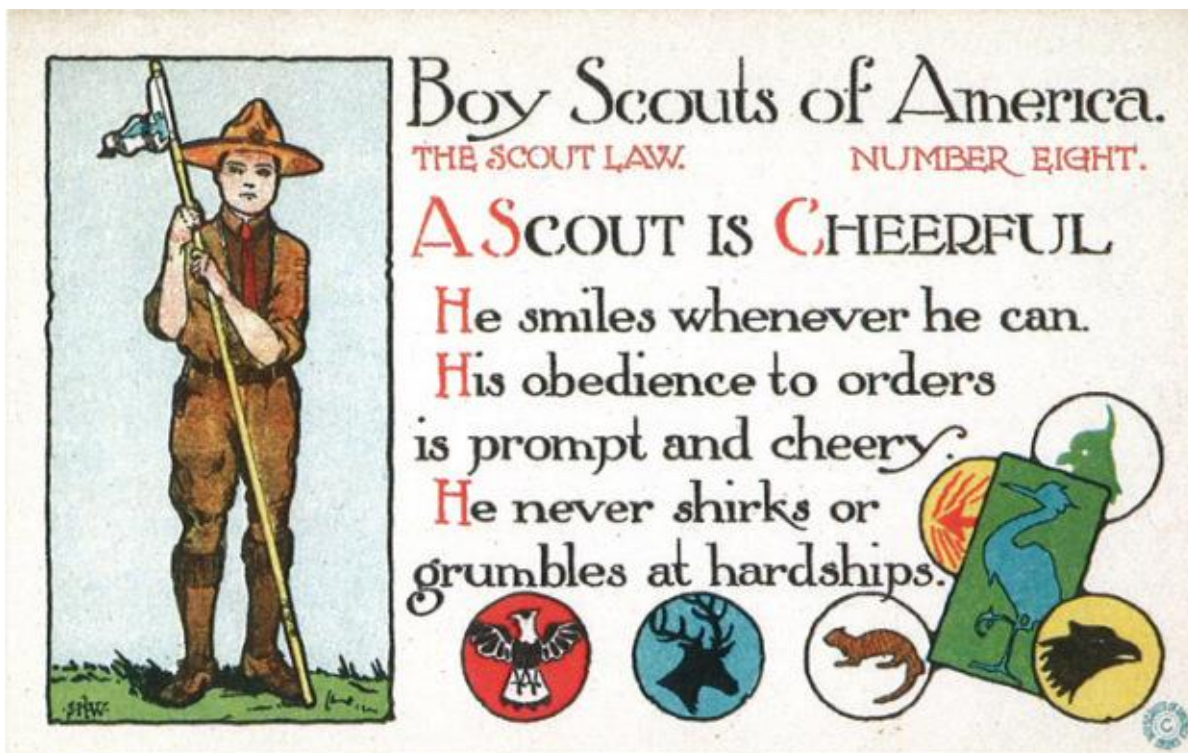
Bottle Rocket Outing at Festival Park

At our August Wednesday troop meetings at Festival Park we had a STEM demonstration from Robert Reschke and we and launched pop bottle water rockets.



The Troop believes that no scout should be excluded from activities because of financial considerations - this includes Summer Camp, High Adventure, Jamborees and monthly campouts!

We have a fund that can help with this issue. If you require further details, please contact Pat Morgan with requests or concerns.



Additional Adult Training

We would like as many parents as possible to take the following courses online *in addition to Youth Protection* (which is required of adults participating in troop events):

- **This is Scouting**
- **Boy Scouts: Fast Start**
- **Troop Committee Challenge -**

These courses should only take you about 30 minutes each to complete on www.my.scouting.org. Once completed please print out the certificate and get a copy to Pat Morgan. While you are focused on getting trained, feel free to take any of the other courses available, such as:

- **Trek Safely**
- **Weather Hazards**
- **Safety Afloat**
- **Safe Swim Defense**
- **Climb-on safely**

If you have any questions, please contact Pat Morgan

District Roundtable Meeting

The next District Roundtable meeting is at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 13th at the Utica United Methodist Church. The church is located at 8650 Canal Rd, Sterling Heights, MI, 48314

All adult scout leaders should try to attend these meetings if possible.

Photos Needed

If any parents have photos from any of our events, please upload them to our Facebook page or send copies of them to Matt Smoger. We would like to put together a slide show of the scouts at their Eagle Ceremony!

Upcoming Committee Meeting

The next committee meeting is at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 12th at Green Street Tavern.

We encourage at least one parent from each family to attend the meeting and be part of the planning process to put together the best possible program for our scouts.



Troop Committee

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Please see the troop roster for the Youth Leadership contact information.

Adult Leadership

Scoutmaster

Josh Thomas

Assistant Scoutmasters

Bill Ward

Alan Lavigne

Pat Tezak

Matt Smoger

Calendar of Key Events

Sept 16th - 18th - Lakeport Family Campout /
Court of Honor

Sept 23rd - 25th - Rendez Vous 2016!

Oct—TBD—Hiking Campout

Nov 5th - Scouting for Food

Nov 12th - 14th—Dutch Oven Campout

**Please see Scoutlander for more
detailed information.**

