



TROOP 113 NEWSLETTER

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June Activities

June 13 - 15	Moffet Tunnel outing
June 14 - 20	First week of Big Horn
June 21 - 27	Second week of Big Horn
June 26	Philmont starts

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Alternative Summer Camp

I know that there are several scouts who cannot attend summer camp with the troop at Bear Lake because of prior commitments for that week.

Although we'd certainly prefer to have you come with the troop to summer camp, we don't want you to miss the opportunity to attend summer camp because of scheduling conflicts.

As an alternative, the Denver Area Council offers a program called Super Troop (see attached), which allows scouts to attend summer camp at Camp Dobbins without their troop. Super Troop provides 2 staff members for the adult troop leadership, and the troop is composed of scouts from various "home" troops. You can choose from any of the 7 weeks that Dobbins is open for the summer. I would suggest that those interested in this option try to decide on a week together, so that they will have a small group of friends with them at camp.

Yours in Scouting,
Gary Robinson

Scoutmaster Corner

Last chance!!

BSA 2010 Centennial Jamboree

Denver Area Council will be sending 7 Troops of 36 Scouts and 4 adult leaders to the 2010 Centennial Jamboree in Fort A. P. Hill, VA. Scouts must be 1st Class and 12 years of age by July 1, 2010, but not have reached their 18th birthday by August 4, 2010. The DAC contingent will tour historic east coast locations for 6-8 days prior to joining the Jamboree July 26-August 4. Before previous Jamborees, the tour has included Gettysburg National Military Park, Colonial Williamsburg, the Smithsonian, the Capital and a beach party. The estimated cost is \$2,500 per Scout. There will be fundraising opportunities, and scholarship support will be available on an individual situation basis. Although Troops for the DAC contingent are filling fast, there will be a waiting list.

Weekly Dues Info

At the Committee meeting that was held on the 7th of December, we discussed the weekly dues that each Scout should be paying. As each Scout knows, they need to pay \$1.00 per week that they earn for doing a good turn. This money goes to the Troop to help offset expenses that we incur throughout the year. Right now there are a lot of Scouts that are behind in these dues.

To help encourage the Scouts to pay these dues, we have instated a plan. Each Scout must do 2 final things to be advanced to the next rank. The 1st thing is to be involved in a Scout Master Conference. The 2nd thing is to be involved in a Board of Review.

If a Scout is not current in their dues, they will be made aware of this and then will not be able to schedule or participate in a Board of Review. Once they become current, they can then do the Board of Review.

Troop Guide Information

Hello. Many of you already know me. For those who don't, I am Andrew Odenthal the Troop Guide for Troop 113. I am in charge of helping you advance in rank so that you can reach the highest goal in scouting. Classes start every Monday evening at 6:30PM. I will teach something new each week. I hope that you can make the time to come, so that I can help you advance and so you can help me make "Eagle".

2nd Class Rank

June 1 - 8b, 8c

June 22 - 9a, 9c

Scout Rank

June 8 - 12a, 12b

Tenderfoot Rank

June 15 - 3

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June 1 - 8b, 8c

June 22 - 9a, 9c

New OA Members by Mr. Robinson

Congratulations to our newest members of the Order of the Arrow – Justin Fulner, Brian Hummer, Troy Stephens, and Mike Knapp. For those unfamiliar with the Order of the Arrow, it is an association of scout honor campers with a four-fold purpose:

- To recognize those campers -- Scouts and Scouters -- who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives, and by such recognition, cause other campers to conduct themselves in such manner as to warrant recognition.
- To develop and maintain camping traditions and spirit.
- To promote Scout camping
- To crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

Summer Camp Info

Summer camp is coming up very fast. Most Scouts that have signed up to go have either paid in full or have committed money from their ISA's to cover the cost. There are a few Scouts that still need to do this. Please see Mr. Marris as soon as possible to pay for summer camp.

There is still a need for Scouts to sign up for merit badges at summer camp. Please make sure you have the ones that you want and are aware of any extra money the merit badge will cost.

Mr. Mars will have a detailed ISA account report for each Scout on June 15th.

Leadership Position Info

If you are interested in running for a leadership position this month, these are the BSA requirements for each of them.

SPL.....14-Years-Old; Life;
Big Horn Trained

ASPL.....14-Years-Old; Star;
Big Horn Trained

Patrol Leader.....13-Years-Old; First Class

A Patrol Leader.....12-Years-Old; Second Class

Monthly Merit Badge Info

The next Eagle required merit badge will be the Hiking Merit Badge. It will start on May 18th. More information will follow...

Here are the tentative dates and hikes for the hiking merit badge.

June 20th – Green Mountain 10 mile hike
June 27th – Adams Falls (Rocky Mountain National Park) 10 mile hike
June 28th – Boulder Creek 10 mile hike
July 11th – 10 mile hike – location to be determined
July 12th – Ouzel Lake (Rocky Mountain National Park) 10 mile hike
August 1st – Gray's and Tory's 10 mile hike
August 8th – 10 mile hike – location to be determined
August 9th – Colorado Trail 20 mile hike
August 22 – Cherry Creek 20 mile hike

Looking Ahead

July

- Philmont ends
- Summer camp at Bear Lake

August

- Sea Base
- Snow Mountain Ranch
- Elitch Troop and Family outing

September

- Camporee

Committee Meeting Dates

June 7
 July 12
 August 2

Bulletin Board

<p>Newsletter Articles Articles for the next issue of this newsletter are due to Dean S. no later than third week of the month! Please email your articles to Dean S.</p> <p>Newsletter on the Web The latest issue of the newsletter is always available online on our Troop website. Visit our website at: http://www.troop113bsa.org</p>	<p>Advancement Contacts Board of Reviews or Advancements – Mary K.</p> <p>Merit Badge Counselor Coordinator – Tracy S.</p> <p>You can email anyone in the leadership team by using their last name in the Troop email address. For example: <lastname>@troop113bsa.org</p>	<p>The <i>Troop 113 Newsletter</i> is a monthly publication of Boy Scouts Troop 113 which is chartered through:</p> <p>Smoky Hill United Methodist Church 19491 E. Smoky Hill Road Centennial, CO 80015 Scoutmaster – Bob B..</p> <p>Committee Chair – Kevin S..</p> <p>Editors – Dean S. and Kevin N.</p>
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Monthly Troop Picture



Moffet Tunnel backpacking trip.

Troop 113 Classified Section

If anyone has anything that they want to add to the list please email me with the info.

Monthly Scout Website Information

This will be the spot that will hold a monthly random Scout related website or information that is useful. If anyone has something good to submit, please let me know and I will add it to this section.

This is an article about how to make an easy to use but functional Patrol Box for any size outing.

http://www.troop184.org.uk/patrol_box.htm

This is a good article for making a stave (walking stick) from some Scouts in Ireland.

<http://www.scouts.ie/scouts/programme-ideas/the-scout-stave/>

This is a site that has scanned a copy of a 1965 Boy Scout Handbook.

<http://chawedrosin.wordpress.com/2009/02/05/1965-boy-scout-handbook/>

This site has many songs that are for Scouts. Some in the MP3 format and others are the words to the song. Enjoy!

<http://www.scoutsongs.com/categories/>

N.Y. Boy Scout earns all 121 merit badges

http://www.usatoday.com/news/offbeat/2008-12-29-merit-badges_N.htm?csp=34

The BSA's first Eagle Scout, Arthur Rose Eldred.

http://www.eaglescout.org/history/first_eagle.html

Dirty Jobs, Mike Rowe's letter to a Scout about working towards Eagle.

http://blogs.discovery.com/mike_rowe_answers/2008/11/mike-offers-a-p.html

eScrip Fundraiser Information



It's Easy! It's Free! It's Powerful!

Troop 113 has partnered with eScrip to help fundraiser for our scouts! eScrip partners with merchants (such as Safeway, Best Buy, Staples) to contribute to groups like ours each time you shop – at no cost to you! eScrip estimates the average family can earn around \$200 per year.

Registration is easy and quick! To sign-up select the link below and enter Troop 113 as our Group Name. Feel free to pass along to family and friends. There is no limit to the number of participants.

Registration Link

<https://secure.escrip.com/jsp/supporter/registration/step1.jsp>

Before registering, feel free to view the website and the available merchants.

Search online merchants

<http://shopping.escrip.com/cgi/shop.plx?pid=5400&sid=900556983>

Search restaurants

http://escrip.rewardsnetwork.com/index.jsp?zipcode=80015&exportedId=900556983&loginstate=true&_requestid=29186

If you have any questions about this program, please ask it of any of the adult leadership at the Monday night meetings.

BSA 2010 Centennial Jamboree

Please join the Denver Area Council Contingent to the 2010 Centennial National Jamboree at Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia. National Jamborees occur only once every four years. This event is one of the most significant in a Scouts career, joining 350 Scouts from Denver and 45,000 Scouts from the United States and foreign countries. This will be the last Jamboree held at Fort A. P. Hill. Our contingent will include 7 Troops, each comprised of 36 Boy Scouts and 4 Adult Scouter's. Scouts must be 1st

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of age by July 1, 2010, but not have reached their 18th birthday by August 4, 2010.

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Anyone who is interested should register their interest now with the Denver Area Council. From the DAC home page, clicking on the Activities/Training logo at the top will bring up the Activities/Training page. Move the mouse over "Activities" at the left side of the page to bring up a sub-menu that lists the 2010 Jamboree. Click on "2010 Jamboree" to bring up the 2010 Jamboree information page. There is a link on this page to complete an interest form for DAC. There is no cost or obligation to sign up with DAC at this step.

There will be a presentation at the December 1 Court of Honor to recruit Scouts (and Scouters) for the DAC contingent and to answer any questions you may have. (Scouts from previous Jamborees will be there with some of their Jamboree memorabilia).

