



TROOP 113 NEWSLETTER

BOY SCOUT TROOP 113 OF SMOKY HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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May Activities

May 15 - 17	Glenwood Springs outing
May 18	Hiking Merit Badge Starts
May 25	Memorial day (NO MEETING)
May 25	Laser Tag get together
May 30	Venturing Beach Party

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

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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".

June 15 - 3

2nd Class Rank

There will not be a meeting on March 30th

April 20 - 5, 6

May 11 - 7a, 8a

June 1 - 8b, 8c

June 22 - 9a, 9c

Troop Guide Schedule

Schedule

Scout Rank

March 16 - 4a, 4b

April 6 - 5,6

April 27 - 7,8

June 8 - 12a, 12b

Tenderfoot Rank

March 23 - 2b, 2e, 2f

April 13 - 4, 6a, 6b, 6c

May 4 - 7a, 7c

May 25 - 8

June 15 - 3

2nd Class Rank

March 30 - 4b, 4c, 4d

April 20 - 5, 6

May 11 - 7a, 8a

June 1 - 8b, 8c

June 22 - 9a, 9c

Committee Chair Corner

I would like to welcome the new scouts and their families to Troop 113. To help your transition, several adult meeting will be schedule during the Monday night meetings to provide additional information. This will also be a good time to get answers for any questions you have. Here is the agenda for the next couple of weeks.

March 16 – Preparing for a weekend outing

March 23 – Rank advancement

March 30 – Merit badge

April 6 – Individual scout accounts

Monthly Troop Picture



Bike Ride through Glenwood Canyon.

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 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

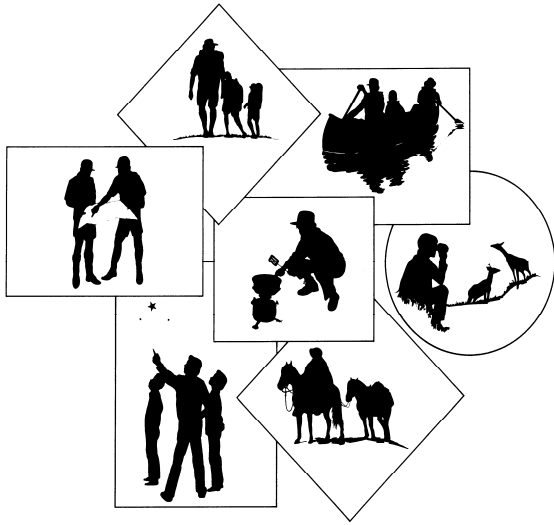
Class and 12 years

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

The Contingent will tour east coast historic locations for 6-8 days and then join the Jamboree for 10 days. In the past, the pre-Jamboree tour has included tours of Gettysburg National Military Park, Colonial Williamsburg, the Smithsonian, the Capital, and a beach party. Troops are forming now and will begin operations in early 2009. This will be a once in a lifetime opportunity to attend the Centennial Jamboree. The estimated cost of this event is \$2,500 per Scout. Extensive fund raising activity is planned in order to assist all Scouts to cover the costs, and scholarship support will be available on an individual situation basis.

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).



Super Troop 2009

Denver Area Council • Boy Scouts of America • 10455 W. 6th Avenue, Suite 100 • Denver, CO 80215
303-455-5522 • Web site: www.denverareacouncil.com • Email: camping@denverareacouncil.com

What:

Scouts can go to camp, even if their troop is not attending camp. Scouts can go to camp as individuals because for one reason or another they cannot attend with their troop, or because they wish to have an additional week of camp.

These Scouts become members of the ***Super Troop*** under trained adult leadership provided by the camp. The Denver Area Council will provide 2 paid leaders for this program as Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster. They bring only their personal clothing and equipment, plus their desire to work and cooperate with other members of the ***Super Troop***.

A ***Super Troop*** member may participate fully in the camp programs at Camp Cris Dobbins. He can work on rank advancement, earn merit badges, use the lake, rifle ranges and all other activities. No Scout should miss camp just because he can't attend with his troop.

Where:

CAMP CRIS DOBBINS on the Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch.

Who:

All registered Boy Scouts. Each session is limited to 20 Scouts, and no more than 4 Scouts per troop. Note: This is not a substitute for troop camping, but instead is provided for those Scouts who cannot attend summer camp with their troop or team, and/or who wish to attend additional weeks at summer camp.

Why:

This is a great opportunity for Scouts in the Denver Area Council to work on rank advancement and participate in all the other great activities Camp Cris Dobbins has to offer. Besides, it is a great place to have a whole lot of fun in a safe, Scouting environment.

How:

You supply the Scouts and get him to camp, and the camp will supply the experienced adult leadership. Complete the registration form and return it to the Council Service Center with a \$30.00 non-refundable deposit. Once registered, each Scout will later receive additional information, medical forms, etc.

When:

Session #1 – June 7 - 13
Session #2 – June 14 – 20
Session #3 – June 21 – 27
Session #4 – June 28 - July 4

Session #5 – July 5 - 11
Session #6 – July 12 - 18
Session #7 – July 19 – 25

Cost:

The fee for *Super Troop* participants will be \$250. A non-refundable deposit of \$30.00 is required to reserve your spot. This deposit can be transferred to another week, or to other participants. **Full payment is due no later than three weeks prior to the arrival date.** For Scouts returning to camp for additional week, payments can be made at the Council Office.

For More Information Contact:

If you need additional information, contact the Camping Department at 303-455-5522 x2111 or email: camping@denverareacouncil.com.



**2009
SUPER TROOP
Registration Form**

If attending more than one session, separate registration form is needed for each additional session

Please ✓ Session desired:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Session #1 – June 7 - 13 | <input type="checkbox"/> Session #4 – June 28 - July 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> Session #7 – July 19 - 25 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Session #2 – June 14 - 20 | <input type="checkbox"/> Session #5 – July 5 - 11 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Session #3 – June 21 - 27 | <input type="checkbox"/> Session #6 – July 12 - 18 | |

Please Print

_____		_____	
Scout's Name		Nickname	
_____		_____	
Address	City	State	Zip
_____		_____	
Email Address		Telephone Number	

Parents/Guardians' Name			
_____	_____	_____	_____
Home Troop	District	Scout Rank	Scout's Birth Date

Return this application and fee to: Denver Area Council, B.S.A.
Attention: Camping Department
10455 W. 6th Avenue, Suite 100
Denver, CO 80215

For Camping Department Use Only

Date of Deposit: _____	Date of Payment: _____	Date of Payment: _____	Date of Payment: _____
Amount Paid: _____	Amount Paid: _____	Amount Paid: _____	Amount Paid: _____

