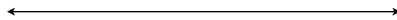




OA Tapout

Troop 75 held its annual Order of the Arrow Tapout on April 23. This year, Martin A., Matthew L., Nicholas S. and Ryan S. were elected to participate. Mr. Schumann and Mr. Trowbridge were chosen as adults from our troop. To find out more about OA, visit <http://www.oe-bsa.org/>.



PLC Spring 2013

SPL: Spencer R.
 ASPL: Troy C.
 ASPL: Christian L.
 Historian: Jeff F.
 Troop Guide: Matthew L.
 Webmaster: Nick S.
 Quartermaster: Logan B.
 Assistant QM: Nathan W.
 Scribe: Andrew W.
 Chaplain's Aide: Matthew M.
 Bugler: Justin C.
 Librarian: Mohit S.
 Instructor: Dylan A.

Patrol Leaders

Hawks
 PL: Alex B., APL: Justin C.

Lightning
 PL: Martin A., APL: Matthew M.

Mobicans
 PL: Ryan S., APL: Colin R.



May

- 3-5 Wisconsin River Canoe Trip
- 6 PLC, 7 p.m.
- 11 Silver Acorn awards dinner, 7 p.m.
- 13 Committee meeting, 7 p.m.
- 14 Court of Honor



June

- 3 PLC, 7 p.m.
- 7-9 Mother/Son Campout
- 10 Committee meeting, 7 p.m.
- 15-29 Philmont High Adventure trip

July

- 20 Raging Waves
- 28-August 3 Camp Ransburg

August

- 25 Court of Honor, 1 p.m.



SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

Dear Troop 75:

It certainly has been a very busy month of April! On April 5-7, the troop was supposed to have headed to Devil's Lake State Park in Wisconsin for outdoor rock climbing and hiking. Unfortunately, Mother Nature had other thoughts!

Due to ice and snow at Devil's Lake the Venture Crew had to cancel the rock climbing. We ended up making a last-minute decision to head to Illini and Starved Rock state parks. We were able to hike more than 6 miles with some pretty nice weather. Thanks to all the scouts for their incredible flexibility during this trip! Thanks to Mr. Adams for helping me with this trip.

Friday April 12, the troop held the annual BSA swim test. A make-up test was held on April 26.

After flooding rains hit Naperville earlier in the week, on April 19-21 we set out for the Loons Basic training outing at Greene Valley. The camp site was a little muddy but we were just fine with some nice spring weather over the weekend. The Loons training went well, and all seemed to enjoy the cooking contest. Thanks to Mr. Scoles for running this trip and to Mr. Lindell for running the cooking competition and for the donuts!

Congratulations to Martin A, Matthew L, Nick S, and Ryan S. for being elected to participate in the Order of the Arrow (OA) Ordeal in 2013. After completing the ordeal, they will become members of the OA. I have selected Mr. Trowbridge and Mr. Schumann as adult candidates for OA this year.

On May 3-5, the troop will be canoeing on the Wisconsin River. We will be cooking dinner and camping on a sand bar. Mr. Meyer, Mr. Snyder and Mr. Trowbridge will be organizing this trip.

On May 11, the troop will be hosting our second annual Silver Acorn awards dinner for adults in the troop. Please refer to the email sent out by Mark Klimek and RSVP to him as soon as possible.

Our next troop Court of Honor and New Scout Investiture will take place at the May 14 meeting.

Moms: Mark your calendar for our annual mother/son campout June 7-9 at Cantigny. We are hoping to host another scout cooking competition during this weekend. Remember to have completed and turned in a new BSA medical part A & B form prior to this campout.. Let me know if you have any questions.

The Philmont crew continues to prepare for our rapidly approaching trip on June 15. We will be holding several training hikes over the next 45 days in preparation for our 12-day trek in New Mexico.

Yours In Scouting,
John Boyle
Scoutmaster

Troop Historian Report

By Jeffrey F.



On April 5, we encountered some technical difficulties for the Devils

Lake campout. We found out that a snowstorm had hit Devils Lake, and it covered the hiking trails with two feet of snow. We were disappointed, but thanks to the quick actions of the scoutmasters, we were able to alter our trip from Devil's Lake to the marvelous Starved Rock. This allowed the scouts to hike and enjoy the great outdoors. The next day the whole troop went on a 5-mile hike and everyone enjoyed it. The Philmont crew learned how to use the jet boilers and bear bags. We had a fantastic time on our unexpected campout.



Scouts work together at Loons Basic Training, April 20.

For more information on Scouting, please visit these sites:
Troop 75:
www.napervilletroop75.org
Indian Prairie District:
www.indianprairie.org
Three Fires Council:
www.threefirescouncil.org