



TROOP 325 NEWS

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From the Scoutmaster's Tent



Ready Reference

- Dean Russell, Scoutmaster
- Jim Doktor, Asst. Scoutmaster
- Larry Hawley, Asst. Scoutmaster
- Darlene Kihlberg, ASM Outdoor Activities
- Dan Vriesen, Asst. Scoutmaster
- Bill Wirth, Asst. Scoutmaster/Chaplain
- Jennette KuKula, Committee Chair
- Ann McDonnell, Secretary
- Terry Russell, Treasurer
- Deb KuKula, Fundraiser Chair
- Debbie Wirth, Advancement Chair
- Cindy Doktor, Popcorn Kernel

Birthdays

- Feb. 4 Mrs. Deborah KuKula
- Feb. 11 Chris W
- Feb. 18 Mr. Woodard
- Feb. 27 Keith D
- Feb. 27 Joe K

A Scout is . . .

Thrifty

A Scout works to pay his way and to help others. He saves for unforeseen needs. He protects and conserves natural resources. He carefully uses time and property.

SETTING THE EXAMPLE

We are going to be receiving new Scouts into the Troop in February and March. We, Leaders and Scouts, need to be a positive role model and show our leadership skills. Patrol leaders who have taken the junior leader training course know even more about them. Of the 11 skills of leadership, I believe the most important is setting the example. There's an old saying that sums it up well. It goes something like this: "What you do speaks so loudly that I can't hear what you say." In other words, don't tell me what is right; show me by your example.

It seems to me that when it comes to setting the example, we are all leaders. Even if you're not a patrol leader, the way you conduct yourself will rub off on your patrol mates. If one patrol member goofs off and is sloppy in his habits, there's a temptation to say, "Well, Brian gets away with it, why shouldn't I?"

That may be human nature, but it's not the nature of a good patrol or a good troop. A good patrol and troop have to work like a team, with every member setting a good example of Scout-like behavior. Let's keep that in mind always, but especially when we're in summer camp (or on tour). Let's show our pride in our troop and in ourselves as Scouts and young men.

*Yours in Scouting,
Mr. Russell*

Thank you to all who made our Holiday Party such a great success.

Food - Nancy Gyergyek, Pat Hawley, and everyone who brought those wonderful desserts

Chinese Auction/Raffle - The Mrs. KuKula (Deb and Jennette), all the Scouts, leaders, and parents; and everyone who purchased tickets. The Troop Moms raised \$796.

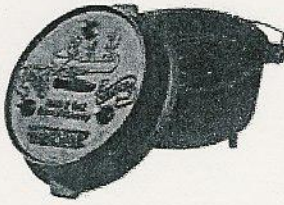
Setup and Decorations - Ann McDonnell, Ken Wendel, and all the helper elves

Clean up - EVERYONE

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to the Annunciation Holy Name Society for the generous donation of \$500 to Troop 325. Since we have 20 new Scouts joining us this year, that money is extremely important in purchasing new tents.

University of Scouting for adults (leaders and parents) and Junior College (for Scouts) is March 13 @ Maryvale High School. Reserve your patch by pre-registering before March 3.



TJ's Dutch Oven Hunter's Stew

Feeds 6-10

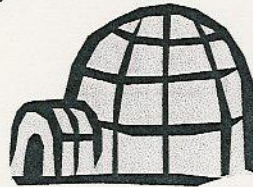
- ½ lb. pork sausage
- 2-3 lbs. stew beef
- 2 medium onions
- 2 cloves garlic
- salt/pepper to taste
- 1 qt. V8 juice
- carrots - 2 lb. bag
- potatoes - 6-8 med-1g.
- any other vegetables
- 1 cup black coffee

Optional: One or two pods smoked jalapeno peppers

In the bottom of a 12" Dutch oven, put your pork sausage and 2 onions, coarsely chopped. Cook over medium-hi heat until onions are translucent. Add two cloves garlic, minced; stew beef, and salt and pepper. Add the jalapeno. Use the flesh (chop very fine) for flavor and discard the seed (heat). Brown the stew beef well. Add one-cup black coffee. Bring to a boil, until the liquid is reduced by 1/2 to 2/3. Add V8 juice, and all vegetables. Bring to boil. Reduce to simmer, and then cook until vegetables are soft. At a simmer a 'puff' of steam will come from under the edge of the Dutch oven lid every 10 to fifteen seconds. Beginning with the time the sausage and onions go into the pot until the time the V8 and vegetables are added, this needs to be stirred often. After the V8 is added it only needs stirring occasionally to be sure the vegetables are not sticking. Serve hot with corn bread.
Note: Use the cheapest stew beef the grocery store has; the black coffee acts as a meat tenderizer.
 (This recipe will soon become a favorite of Mr. Russell and Mr. Vriesen.)

We Braved the Cold at Camp Doktor!

WE DID IT!!!!!! We saved the Scouts and adults stranded out on the ice in the middle of the pond, defended our forts, and slept outside in single-digit weather. And who would have thought you'd be encouraged to eat candy in the middle of the night in your sleeping bag! We got to taste some new recipes . . . Russian tea, Canoe Base Hudson Bay Bread (the homemade, high energy granola bars), oatmeal with nuts and dried fruit, and Brownies with warm chocolate pudding sauce. The old saying goes, "A troop marches on its stomach." We ate hard and played hard. Thank you to the Viking Patrol for planning this campout and to Robby Gyergyek for planning the menu and being the Grubmaster. (Thank you to Mrs. Gyergyek for helping Rob and for the **great Chili.**)



YOUTH PROTECTION

All adults attending any BSA event **must** be trained. Go to www.scouting.org.

Thank you to Lori Wendel and Bill Wirth for organizing our annual Scout Sunday. It took some flexibility and persistence, but everything came together for a nice celebration. Thank you to everyone for contributing to the brunch. It was observed that some very young men in church were checking out those nice uniforms and an impressive looking Scout group. What a nice example you all presented to our community and to some possible future Scouts.

Patrols

Dragon Patrol

657-3126 Keith D. [redacted] (SPL)

Road Runner Patrol

- 657-3126 Jacob D. [redacted] (QM)
- 657-3126 Mat H. [redacted] (PL)
- 657-3126 Robbie H. [redacted]
- 657-3126 Andy H. [redacted] (APL)
- 657-3126 Keith [redacted]
- 657-3126 Kyle K. [redacted]
- 657-4136 Jeremy V. [redacted] (Scribe)
- 657-4136 Tim W. [redacted] (ASPL)

Viking Patrol

- 657-4136 Eric B. [redacted]
- 657-4136 Robbie G. [redacted]
- 657-4136 Steve J. [redacted] (PL)
- 657-4136 Joe K. [redacted] (QM)
- 657-4136 Ryan L. [redacted]
- 657-4136 Eric R. [redacted] (APL)
- 657-4136 Dan W. [redacted]
- 657-4136 Chris W. [redacted]

Moose Patrol

- 657-4136 Mike G. [redacted]
- 657-4136 Jonathan G. [redacted] (Scribe)
- 657-4136 David H. [redacted] (PL)
- 657-4136 Nick R. [redacted]
- 657-4136 Mike V. [redacted] (APL)
- 657-4136 Chris W. [redacted]
- 657-4136 Ryan W. [redacted] (QM)

Bison Patrol

- 657-4136 Brendon H. [redacted] (QM)
- 657-4136 Eric J. [redacted] (APL)
- 657-4136 Marshall L. [redacted] (Scribe)
- 657-4136 Dan P. [redacted] (PL)
- 657-4136 Ryan S. [redacted]

Don't miss out on an awesome trip to GETTYSBURG and WHITEWATER RAFTING.

SIGN UP NOW!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Summer Camp Payment of \$40 due February 27 for all Scouts attending Summer Camp 2004.