

TROOP 325 NEWS

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Ready Reference

- 1 Dean Russell, Scoutmaster
- 5 Jim Doktor, Asst. Scoutmaster
- 5 Larry Hawley, Asst. Scoutmaster
- 0 Darlene Kihlberg, Asst. Scoutmaster/Secretary
- Dan Vriesen, Asst. Scoutmaster
- Bill Wirth, Asst. Scoutmaster/Chaplain
- ????, Outdoor Activities Chair
- Jennette KuKula, Committee Chair
- Terry Russell, Treasurer

- Deb KuKula, Fundraiser Chair
- Debbie Wirth, Advancement Chair
- Cindy Doktor, Popcorn Kernel

Birthdays

- Oct. 17 Ryan S
- Oct. 19 Mrs. Wirth
- Oct. 23 Mrs. Hartman/Warren
- Oct. 31 Mrs. Russell

Youth Protection

This training has now been opened up to all youth organizations in the area. Go to www.scouting.org.

From the Scoutmaster's Tent

With such a growing Troop, Scouts must remember to keep track of when you need a Scoutmaster Conference. Notify me when you are ready, and we will try to get it done at that meeting or the next. After a successful SM Conf., we will set up a Board of Review on a different night. Hint, check where you are, because a Court of Honor should be coming in the near future. If you have a question where you are, contact myself or Mr. Wirth, and we can get back to you after we consult the magic computer.

*Yours in Scouting,
Mr. Russell*

A note from the Advancement Chairperson:

I try hard to keep up with all the merit badges and awards earned by our troop members, but I need help. I only keep track of merit badges when a completed blue card is given to me. Please notify me if you have received an award outside of our Courts of Honor. This includes OA, JLT, Wood Badge, Leader training, etc. Unless you have done something at the same time as the Wirth boys, I may not be aware of it. Please inform me of any activity along with the date it was accomplished.

Your Scout Book SHOULD be the most up-to-date record of your advancements. I can give you a printout of the information I have at any time – just give me a call or give Mr. Wirth a note to give me.

Mrs. Wirth



From the Popcorn Kernel:

Popcorn Orders are due to me at our Troop Court of Honor on October 24th.

Mrs. Doktor

Hey You!!!! Yah You!!!!
I think you should read this!!!!

Troop Court of Honor October 24th ATTENTION SCOUTS!!!!!!

- > Are you hoping to be recognized for your next rank at this month's Court of Honor?
- > Do you need a Scoutmaster Conference?
- > Do you need a Board of Review?
- > Do you realize October 10th is the only remaining meeting before COH?

Troop 325

The Outdoorsmen are Survivors

12 Scouts and 4 leaders managed to survive the winds and rain of last Friday night. However, we woke up to various sizes of ponds and lakes inside and outside our tents. Some of us didn't even notice! We warmed up with hot chocolate and oatmeal for breakfast. Some hearty Scouts didn't even use water. Uh! This is called "shot gunning it." Yep, straight out of the package.

After breakfast we broke up into two patrols, the Survivors and the Outdoorsmen. Each patrol had a schedule to follow for attending various event stations. Patrols were in competition with all other patrols at the Camporee. There was even a canoe portage event. We had experienced scouts for this event and felt that both Troop 325 patrols would do well. Unexpected competition came from our visitors, a group of Pack 426 Webelos, led by one of our Scouts. They were very good at canoe portage and logic events and have great Scout Spirit, too. Inspection of tents and sleeping gear during lunch led to the decision to pack up and head home after the evening closing campfire. As the day progressed, the decision became wiser and wiser. Wind, rain, and cold weather can be a dangerous combination. The Camporee staff became agile at reorganizing the agenda and events as the weather presented various challenges. The closing ceremony was moved under the circus tent and quickly held right after religious services. Troop 325 received the best award of all; Scout Spirit. Both our patrols were alive, awake and enthusiastic all day. We also worked well as a team and encouraged each other's success. All this while being rained and hailed upon, running through and falling into large puddles, shivering in the cold wind, and trying to keep the matches lit. Nothing could dampen (pun intended) our Spirit.

Thank you to Mrs. Vriesen for making sure we always had something warm to eat and drink. Thank you to fellow scouts for making full enjoyment of what the weather had to offer. And thank you to parents for your understanding as plans changed. We'll all make sure we get to the next Cold Weather Training, but does Council also run a "Rainey Weather Training?" too.

From the Religious Award coordinator:

Last Chance to Sign Up for this year's Ad Altare Dei Award.

Mr. Wirth

This is a recipe from a Seneca Indian. It has been handed down over the years in her family.

Biscuits

- 3 heaping cups of flour
- 3 heaping Tablespoons of Baking Powder
- 1 handful of Crisco
- 2 cups of Milk

Stir
Knead
Blend until pasty
Cut into shape 1 1/2 inch thick
Cook at 500 degrees for 12 minutes.

In a 14 inch Dutch Oven this takes 14 briquettes on the bottom and 36 on the top.

They are scrumptious.

Seeds of wisdom

Nobody cares if you can't dance well. Just get up and dance. If anybody cares how you dance, feel sorry for them. They need to get a life and learn how to have fun. And notice that people who dance and cut loose once in a while, usually live longer.

Did you have such a good time at summer camp that you're having trouble parting with a troop tent?

Help us keep track of our gear. If you have a troop tent, please return it to Mr. or Mrs. Vriesen. Properly cleaned and packaged, of course!

Patrols

Dragon Patrol

Keith D. (SPL)

Road Runner Patrol

Jacob D. (QM)
 Mat H. (PL)
 Robbie H.
 Andy H. (APL)
 Keith J.
 Kyle K.
 Jeremy V. (Scribe)
 Tim W. (ASPL)

Viking Patrol

Eric B.
 Nick D. (Scribe)
 Robbie G.
 Steve J. (PL)
 Joe K. (QM)
 Ryan L.
 Eric R. (APL)
 Dan W.
 Chris W.

Moose Patrol

Carson C.
 Mike G.
 Jonathan G. (Scribe)
 David H. (PL)
 Nick R.
 Mike V. (APL)
 Chris W.
 Ryan W. (QM)

Bison Patrol

Brendon H. (QM)
 Eric J. (APL)
 Donald L.
 Marshall L. (Scribe)
 Dan P. (PL)
 Ryan S.

A Scout is . . .

Courteous

A Scout is polite to everyone regardless of age or position. He knows good manners make it easier for people to get along together.

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BSA Troop 325
Elma, New



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 7 PM Roundtable Hamburg United Methodist Church	9	10 \$4 DUES 7 PM to 9 PM Troop Meeting Langley Hall Iroquois —No School	11 Fall Camporee
12	13 Columbus Day No School	14	15	16	17 7 PM Committee Meeting Langley Hall	18 Troop Activity Panama Rocks
19	20	21	22	23 POPCORN ORDERS DUE	24 7 PM 9 PM Troop COH Langley Hall	25 GNFC Astronomy Merit Badge Overnighter
26	27	28	29	30	31	Outdoor Leader Skills Training @ Stonehaven

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 9 AM Committee Meeting—Guild Room
2	3	4	5	6	7 7 PM Troop Meeting Gym	8 GNFC Chemistry Merit Badge Day
9 Dan Russell's Eagle Court of Honor after 11:30 AM Mass at Annunciation	10 Veteran's Day GNFC Weather Merit Badge Day No School	11	12 7 PM Roundtable Hamburg United Methodist Church	13	14 7 PM Troop Meeting Gym	15 POPCORN PICK UP
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 GNFC Indian Lore Merit Badge Day
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Camp Doktor				Camp Doktor		
30				Thanksgiving Holiday		