



Scouts BSA TROOP 308

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Welcome to our new scouts and their families! A-words is a communication tool to help keep scouts and their families up-to-date on troop activities and important dates. The newsletter comes out approximately every two weeks. Please contact Nancy McMahon if you have information to contribute to the newsletter.

Email quilts4me2003@yahoo.com

UPCOMING TROOP MEETINGS (6:45 - 8:15pm) Held at St. Andrew's unless otherwise specified

DATE	PROGRAM THEME	TOPIC	PROGRAM	ASSIGNED	SERVICE	NOTES
			PATROL	ASPL	PATROL	
5/1		What Positions Do	Electric Sporks	Hagan		
5/8		Elections		Hagan		
5/15		Planning for Campout	Turbo Turtles	Hagan		
5/22		Summer Camp Planning	Zillion Zebras	Hagan		
5/29		NO MEETING - Memorial Day				
6/5		Court of Honor				
6/13		NO MEETING - Summer Camp				
6/20		6 Month Planning				
6/27		Troop Olympics	Flaming Tacos			

TROOP ACRONYMS (In case you're wondering)

SM: Scoutmaster	SMC: Scoutmaster Conference	SAUMC: St. Andrew's United Methodist Church
ASM: Assistant Scoutmaster	BOR: Board of Review	BSA: Boy Scouts of America
SPL: Senior Patrol Leader	MB: Merit Badge(s)	MAC: Mid-America Council
ASPL: Asst. Senior Patrol Leader	COH: Court of Honor	YPT: Youth Protection Training
EPLC: Executive Patrol Leader	TLT: Troop Leadership Training	SB: Scoutbook
Council (SPL and ASPLs)	PLC: Patrol Leader Conference	OA: Order of the Arrow
T308B: Troop 308 Boys	FLT: Family Life Center (aka St. Andrew's Gym)	KP: Kitchen Patrol on Campouts
T308G: Troop 308 Girls		

DATE	PROGRAM/THEME	LOCATION	NOTES
	Parents/Guardians contact Debbie McGovern to check if your scout is signed up! Scout should sign up at Troop Meetings		
4/128-4/30	Camporee	Camp Cedars	Camporee Photos
5/19-21	Two Rivers Campout		



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Summer Camp - Camp Cedars

Turn in health forms A,B,C to Mrs. Harrison ASAP!

SERVICE PROJECTS

DATE	TIME	PROJECTS	LOCATION	COMMENTS
4/15 - 4/22/23		Scouting for Food Photos		New Story 4.22.23
6/4/2023 Sunday	noon - ?	Westlawn Hillcrest Flag Project	Westlawn Hillcrest Cemetery 5701 Center Street, Omaha	Sponsored by Centennial Lodge AF & AM Masonic Lodge to place flags on known veteran's graves for Memorial Day. Questions, contact Carl Diamond at westlawn.flag.project@gmail.com ; 402-850-4168

Important News

Court of Honor is June 5th. Any rank advancements and merit badges need to be turned in by May 15th in order to be included in the Court of Honor. The last Board of Review is the 15th of May. If you

Sea Base payments and Summer Camp payments are due May 1st. See Jill Freeman for the amount.

OTHER TROOP INFORMATION

* **REQUIRED TRAINING: YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING**

Troop Adults Please review your required Youth Protection Training (YPT). If your YPT expires before May 1st, 2023, please renew your training online ASAP. All adults should do the YPT Training. If you no longer wish to be on the leadership roster, if you have any questions or don't know when your YPT expires, please contact Susan Harrison or Rick Provaznik.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



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Open Positions:

1. Secretary - take notes at the monthly Committee meetings and email out to the parents and committee. Time commitment - 1- 1.5 hours / month.
2. Charter Representative - maintain the relationship with our Charter Organization, the Mid-America Council. Time commitment - a few hours / year
3. Board of Review - Always looking for volunteers. Please contact Patty Lewis if you can help out or with questions!

Please contact Rick Provaznik (rprovaznik@hotmail.com) if interested!

UPCOMING MERIT BADGE OPPORTUNITIES

	DATE	MERIT BADGES	TIME	OTHER INFORMATION
TROOP 308 Merit Badges	TBD	Personal Management		
	TBD	Farm Mechanics		
	TBD	Fishing		

Sign up for Troop Merit Badge opportunities on the weekly attendance sheets

UPCOMING MERIT BADGE OPPORTUNITIES (continued)

	DATE	MERIT BADGE	TIME	OTHER INFORMATION
HENRY DOORLY ZOO Merit Badges	5/10	Sustainability	5:30pm	Virtual Merit Badge \$15/Scout
	5/24	Insect Study	6:00pm	\$25
				Bird Study, Mammal Study, Insect Study, Nature Oceanography, Reptile and Amphibian Study, Environmental Science, Sustainability
Register at:	https://www.omahazoo.com/scout-			\$25/Scout *unless otherwise indicated
HAMLEUM Badges	DATE	MERIT BADGE	TIME	OTHER INFORMATION
				Spring Merit Badge Sessions are completed. Stay tuned for more



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Register at:

<https://12565.blackbaudhosting.com/12565/tickets?tab=3&txobjid=01e1494d-f8ad-44c6-b3e3-8214b1b5f>

VIRTUAL
MERIT BADGES

The Cape Fear Council is offering a virtual Merit Badge Program with 19 different merit badges, including 7 Eagle required badges.

SIGN UP TODAY! For any questions, please email

Martin.Clemmer@scouting.org.

Register at: <https://scoutingevent.com/425-vmbc>

This event is operating on Eastern Daylight Time

*Please refer to FACEBOOK for any online virtual Merit Badge opportunities posted by Chad Marquis