

7.14.2023

Troop 308

A-Words



*Welcome! Be
Prepared*

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; (402) 201- 4539. We are looking to improve troop communications and value your input. Please bring your communication thoughts and ideas to the pool party meeting on August 7th!

Upcoming Troop Meetings 6:45 pm - 8:15 pm at St. Andrew's Church (unless otherwise specified)

Date	Topic	Program Patrol	Assigned ASPL	Service Patrol*	Notes
7/17/2023	Whiffle Ball (Fun Meeting)	Savage Bacon	Miles & Kat		
7/24/2023	Troop Gear Use	Turbo Turtles	Miles & Kat		
7/24/2023	Assistant Scoutmaster Meeting				
7/31/2023	Physical Fitness Test Start		Ethan & Jaime		
8/7/23	Pool Party 6-8:30 pm	Maple Village Pool. Scouts are free, \$5 for non-scouts. Mandatory parent meeting at the pool. 3645 Maplewood Blvd. Signup Genius to swim and eat			
See the new meeting schedule* here! Schedule subject to change*					
Service patrol needs to arrive by 6:30 pm to set up and stay after the meeting to clean up					

Campouts

Date	Program/Theme	Location	Notes
8/18-20 (Friday & Saturday night)	MAC on the Ropes; \$25 per scout	Camp Cedars	Adults with YTP and leadership positions are needed for the campout, and they can participate in the climbing activities for \$25. Email troop308.camping@gmail.com to sign up (scouts can sign up on the attendance sheets).

Do a Good Turn Daily

Service Projects

Date	Time	Project	Location	Notes
7/18/2023	7 pm	Flag Disposal Project with National Sojourners Group and Pack 308; Ice Cream Social to follow the ceremony	West Omaha Masonic Center 2424 S. 135th Ave., Omaha	Carl Diamond is the contact for this event. (402) 850-4168 Please SignUp Here .
7/29/2023	9am-2pm	Connor Tjepkes Eagle Project, Day 2 Food and Drink provided	Standing Bear Dam Site 16, 6406 N 132 Street	Sign up to help through SignUp Genius – Day 2

Important News

Beginning in August 1, 2023, all parents attending campouts will need YPT up-to-date AND fill out an application for a troop leadership position. Every adult who camps must be registered. Please stay up-to-date with Youth Protection Training (YPT). It must be completed every 2 years, and do not let it expire! It is much easier to renew training than to restart the YPT process.

Please request Scoutmaster conferences throughout the summer. August 21st is the last day for a Scoutmaster conference for rank advancement prior to the September 11th Court of Honor.

Wood Badge is a scout leadership opportunity scheduled for September for the weekends of September 15-17th and September 30th-October 1st. Cost is \$210 if registered by August 1. Register on the MAC-BSA Website [Wood Badge Registration](#).

Sea Base payments are due. Please contact Jill Freeman if you have an outstanding balance.

Adult Leadership Opportunities




Open Positions: Please contact Rick Provaznik if interested rprovaznik@hotmail.com


1. Charter Representative - maintain the relationship with our Charter Organization, the Mid-America Council. Time commitment - a few hours / year. November 1 is the due date for chartering.
2. Popcorn and camp cards assistant coordinator; transition to coordinator next year
3. Assistant Scoutmasters needed! Please consider this position; we need more ASMs.
4. Committee Members
5. Board of Review Volunteers - Always looking for volunteers. Please contact Patty Lewis if you can help out or with questions!

The Scout Oath On my honor I will do my best To do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout law; To help other people at all times; To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

The Scout Law A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.

Upcoming Troop 308 Merit Badges

Date	Time & Location	Merit Badge		Notes
TBD		Dentistry		Learn more about Dentistry

TBD	Lake Flanagan	Fishing		Learn more about Fishing
Other Merit Badge Opportunities				
Location	Date	Merit Badge	Time	Cost & Registration
Online Merit Badge Classes meritbadgeworkshops.com				<p>\$19.95; most are 1-2 hours</p> <p>They have registered merit badge counselors, but prior to registering, the Scout should have a discussion with their unit leader to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) obtain approval to participate in the course 2) confirm that their unit leader will approve the blue card upon course completing
<p>Henry Doorly Zoo</p> <p>For other merit badges and information, see: Omaha Zoo Scout Programs</p>		<p>August 6th – Oceanography</p> <p>August 9th – Sustainability</p> <p>August 23rd – Night Owl</p>	<p>Wed, 6 pm Sun, 1 pm</p> <p>Wed, 5:30 pm Wed, 6 pm</p>	<p>Contact scouts@OmahaZoo.com or (402) 738-2092 for more information or to register.</p>
<p>Durham Museum</p> <p>For merit badges and other information see: Durham Museum Merit Badges</p>	All spring scout programs are now completed; check back soon!			
<p>Daniel Boone Council Merit Badges</p> <p>https://www.danielboonecouncil.org/virtual</p>			Days and Times vary	Register online; most classes are \$10